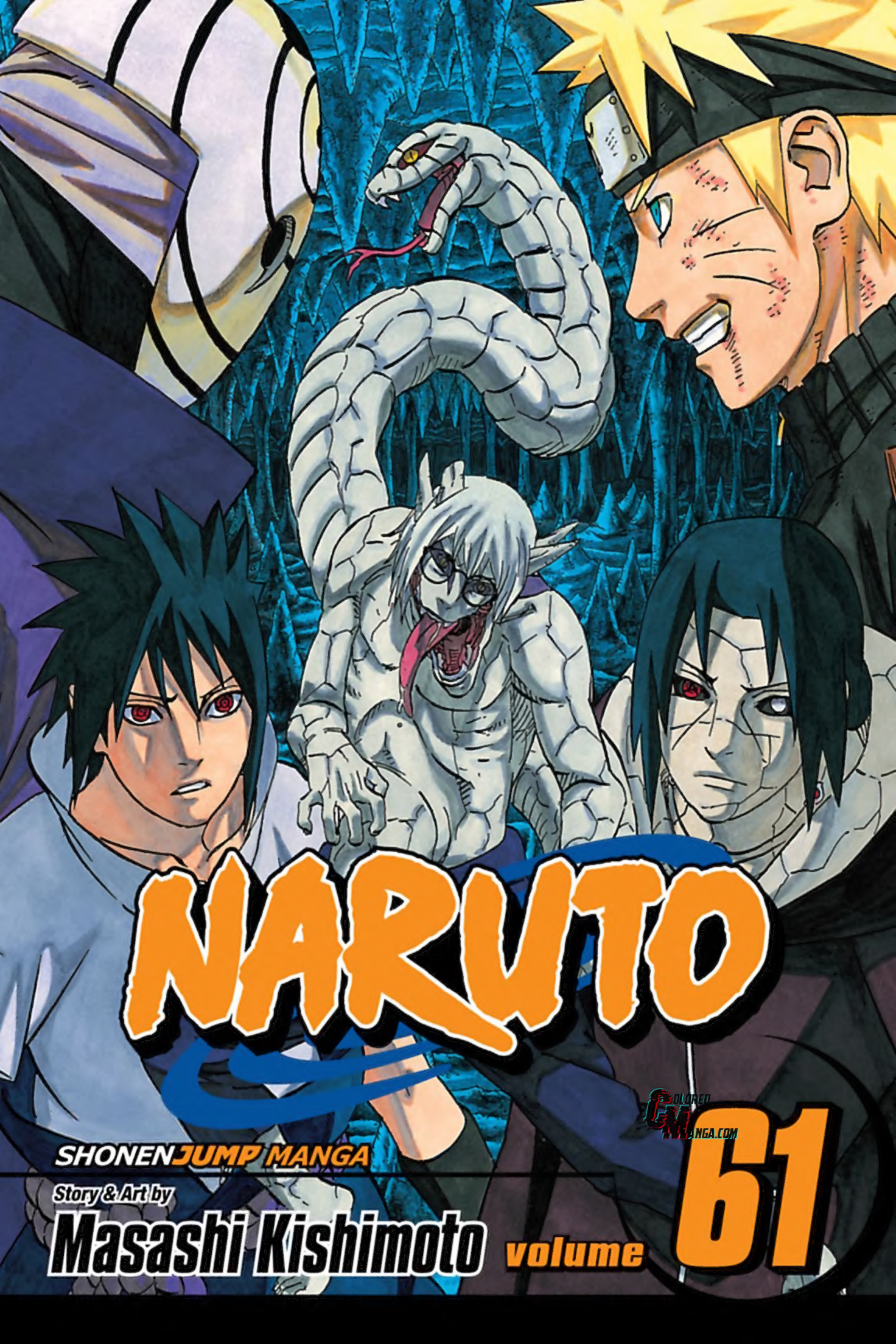
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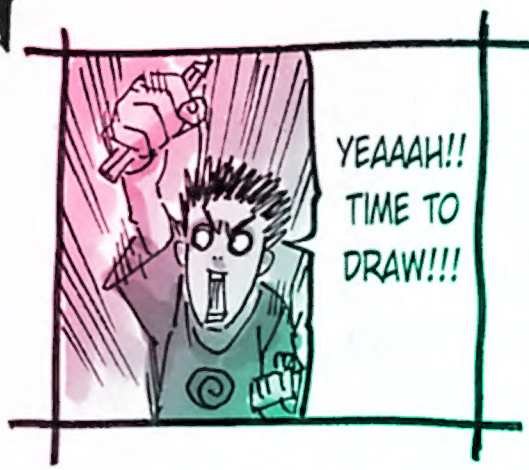

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For those of you who weren't able to read the "Road to Ninja" one-shot, you can check it out on the Japanese *Shonen Jump* website!

The story is gonna get hotter and hotter! I don't want to rush anyone, but I want you to read volume 62 too!

—Masashi Kishimoto, 2012

Author/artist Masashi Kishimoto was born in 1974 in rural Okayama Prefecture, Japan. After spending time in art college, he won the Hop Step Award for new manga artists with his manga **Karakuri** (Mechanism). Kishimoto decided to base his next story on traditional Japanese culture. His first version of **Naruto**, drawn in 1997, was a one-shot story about fox spirits; his final version, which debuted in **Weekly Shonen Jump** in 1999, quickly became the most popular ninja manga in Japan.

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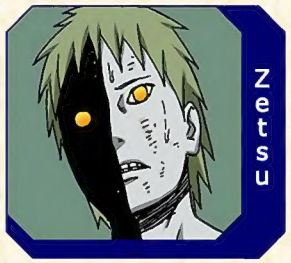

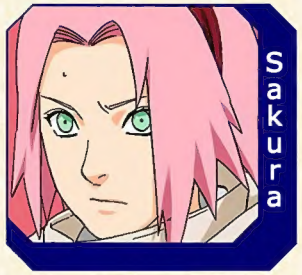

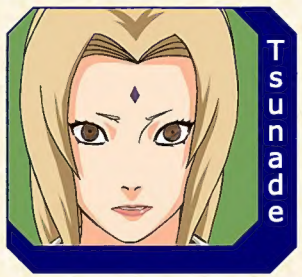

THE STORY SO FAR...

Naruto, the biggest troublemaker at the Ninja Academy in the Village of Konohagakure, finally becomes a ninja along with his classmates Sasuke and Sakura. They grow and mature through countless trials and battles. However, Sasuke, unable to give up his quest for vengeance, leaves Konohagakure to seek Orochimaru and his power.

Two years pass. Naruto grows up and engages in fierce battles against the Tailed Beast-targeting Akatsuki. Elsewhere, after winning the heroic battle against Itachi and learning his older brother's true intentions, Sasuke allies with the Akatsuki and sets out to destroy Konoha.

The Fourth Great Ninja War against the Akatsuki begins. The Allied Shinobi Forces begin to rally back after a series of unfavorable battles early on and have the Five Shadows assemble on the battlefield in order to stop the Edotensei-revived Madara! Naruto deepens his bond with Nine Tails and the other jinchûriki during his battle against the masked man. Meanwhile, Sasuke encounters a revived Itachi!

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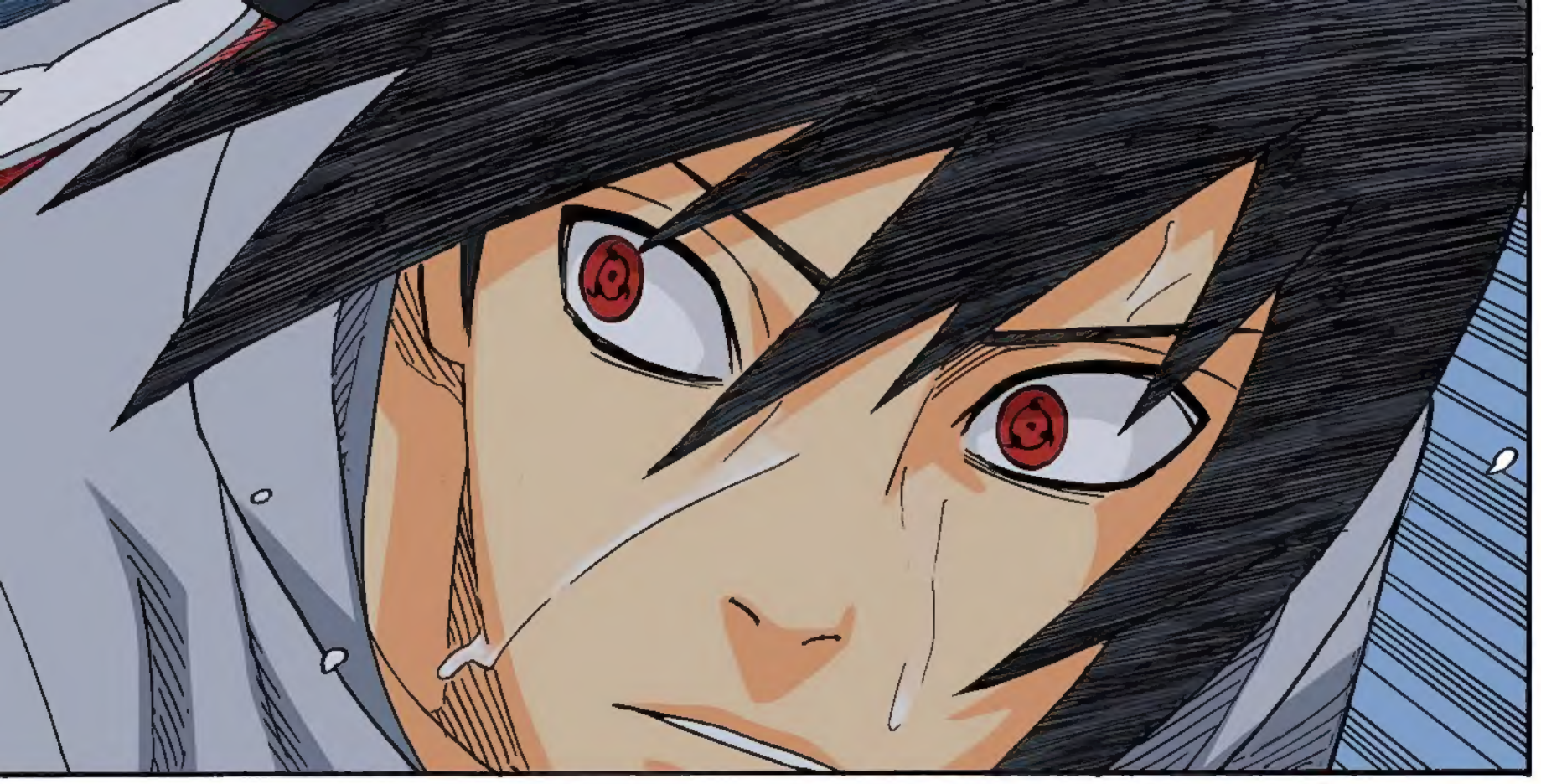

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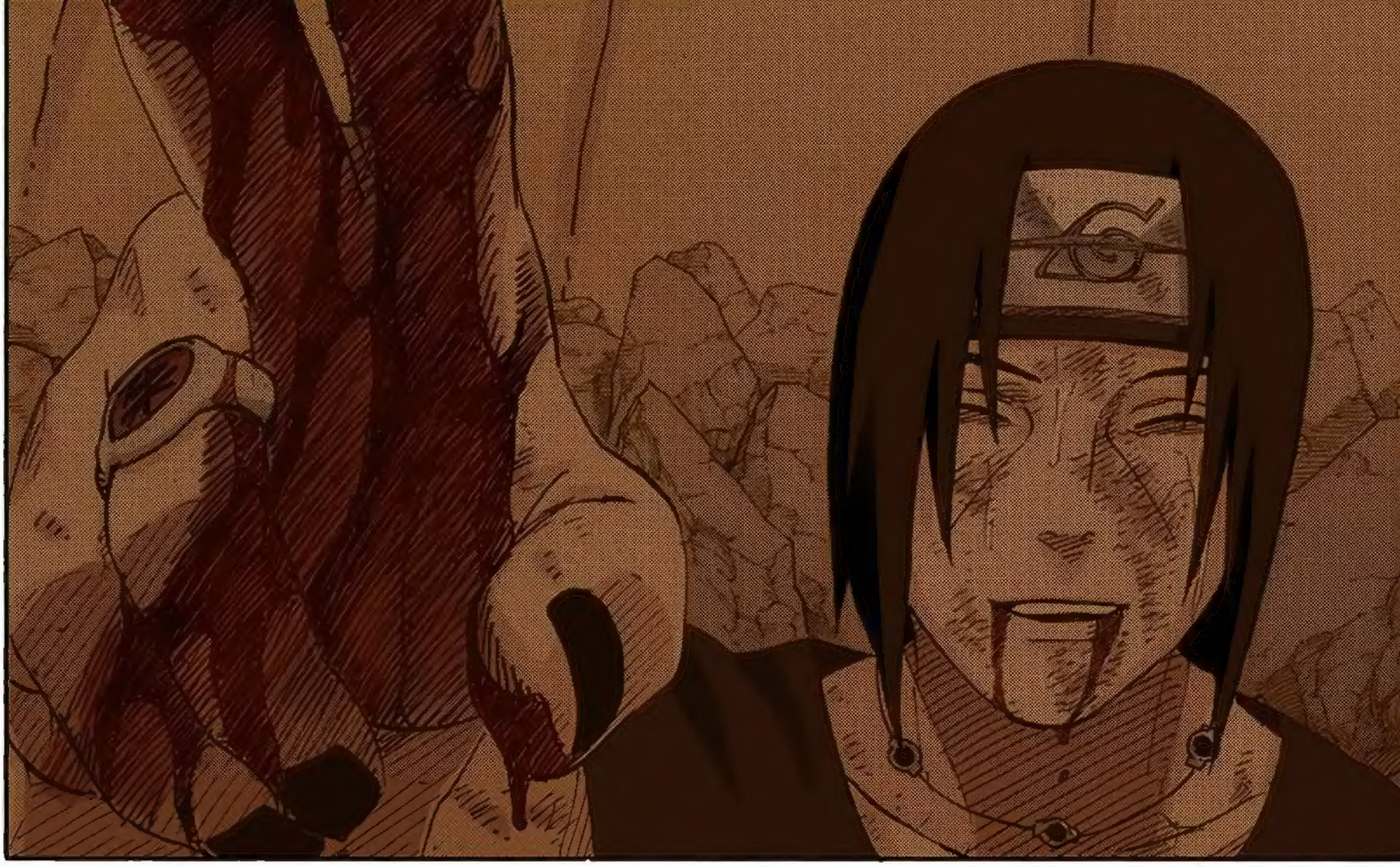

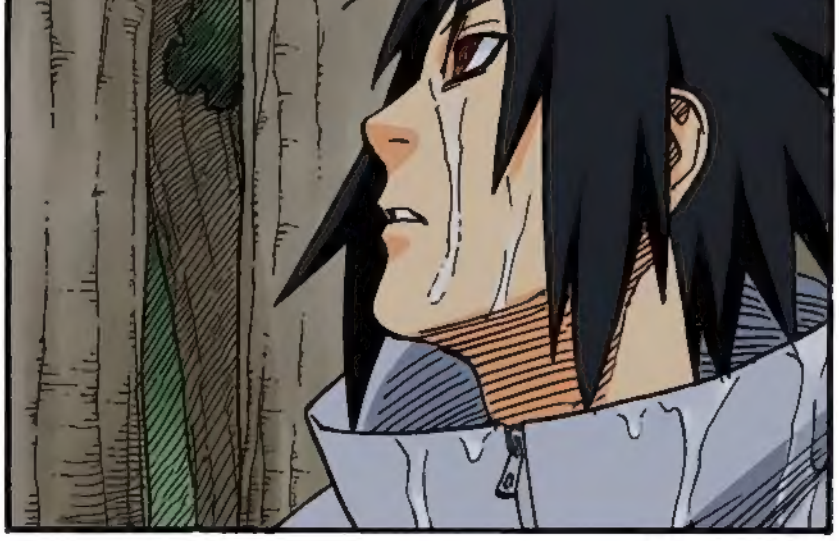

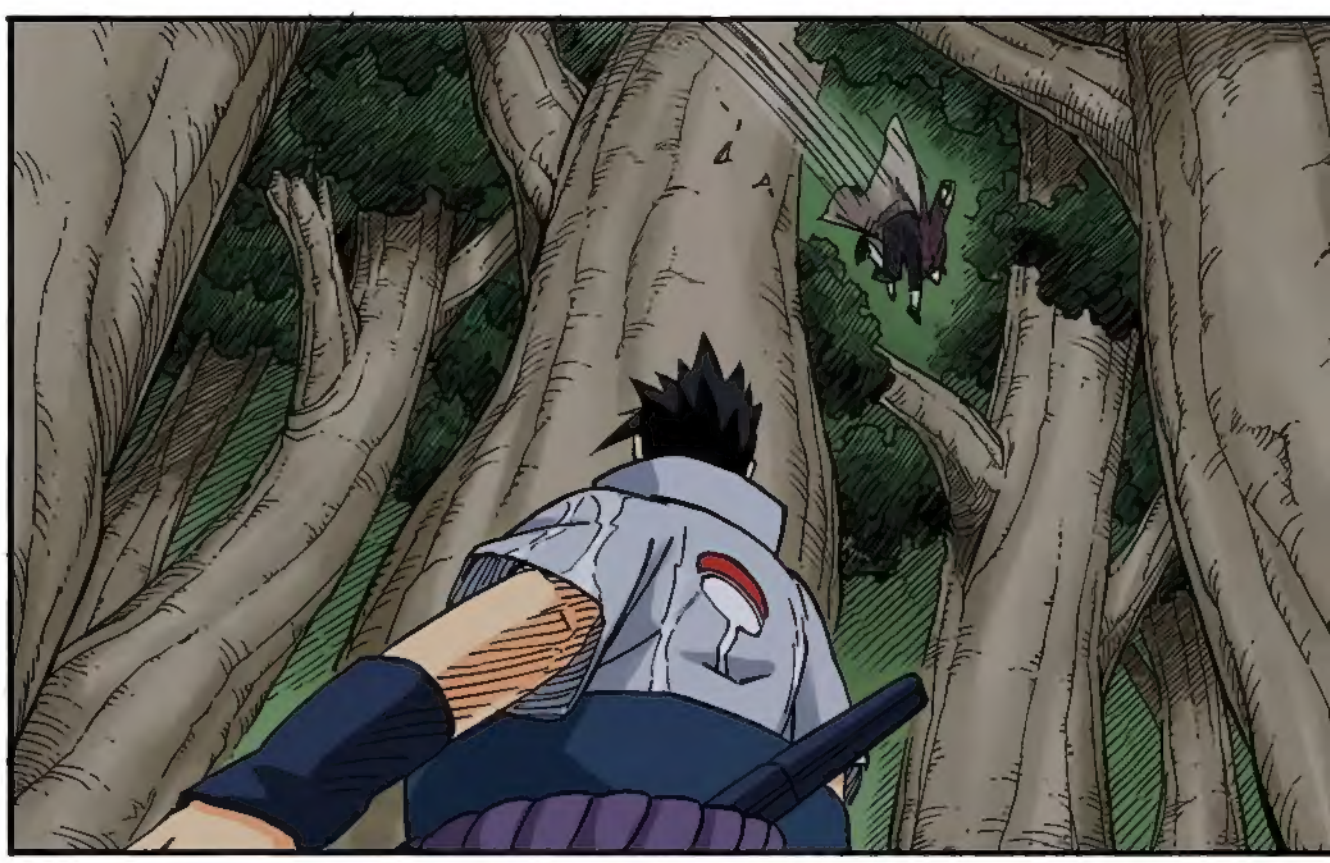

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GRRRR

RRRRR

WAIT!!

WHOOSH

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IS THAT YOU, ITACHI?!

WOOSH

WAIT !!

I SAID...

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OO*

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BAM

KRAK

VOOSH

YOU ARE ITACHI!

SUSANO'O!

.....

A SUSANO'O ...!!

!!

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I THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

.....

I DIDN'T KNOW...

...YOU COULD DO IT TOO!

THINGS TO DO.

NO TIME TO TALK.

TAK

FWOO

THIS IS KABUTO'S JUSU. I'M AN EDOTENSEI, A REANIMATED SHINOBI, BACK FROM THE DEAD.

YOU'LL NEVER FIND YOUR PATIENCE...

YOU'RE AS OBSTINATE AS EVER...

YOU'RE HERE.

I DON'T CARE!!

AND I HAVE QUESTIONS!!

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ARE YOU RUNNING FROM ME OUT OF GUILT... ***FOR BEING A LIAR?!*** YOU HAVE NO COURAGE TO TELL ME THE TRUTH!!

NOW YOU WANT TO RUN AWAY FROM ME?!

TO COME FIND YOU ONCE I HAD THE SAME EYES AS YOU!

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SAID IT!

.....

THAT'S WHY I WILL DESTROY KONOHA!

I KNOW ***EVERYTHING*** ABOUT YOU!

I CAN SEE THROUGH YOUR GENJUTSU!

I NO LONGER LIVE INSIDE A FANTASY!!

BUT ***MY*** TRUTH IS REAL.

YOUR REALITY MIGHT BE AN ILLUSION.

I TOLD YOU WE EACH LIVE DEEP INSIDE OUR OWN FANTASY, REMEMBER?

WHEN WE FOUGHT...

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.....

THESE ARE *YOUR* EYES!!

...THAT MADE YOU SUFFER!!

SASUKE KNOWS HOW MUCH...

BUT I'VE HEARD ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU.

I KNOW HOW YOU'VE CHANGED.

THAT PART OF YOU IS STILL THE SAME.

HE'S GOING TO KILL EVERYONE THAT MADE YOU SUFFER!

BUT SASUKE IS NOT LIKE YOU. HE'S REALLY GOING TO DESTROY KONOHA!

YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO KILL ME ALONG WITH MY PARENTS.

BUT NO...

I WAS SUPPOSED TO DIE!

YOU CHANGED MY WORLD, LONG AGO!

NO!!

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SO HE DIDN'T BETRAY THE UCHIHA OUT OF HATRED... IT WAS UNAVOIDABLE.

AND SO ITACHI MADE HIS DECISION.

THAT HE HIMSELF WOULD DROP THE CURTAIN ON HIS OWN CLAN'S HISTORY.

HE SHOULDERED ALL THAT BY HIMSELF AND SACRIFICED HIMSELF... NO ONE CAN REPROACH HIM OR HIS DECISION.

THE DISCRIM-INATION THAT AROSE FROM THE VILLAGE'S PROSPERITY... AND THE PRICE OF DISCORD...

.....

WHY DID YOU SPARE *JUST ME?!*

WHY ME?!

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WHAT'S DIFFERENT ABOUT ME VERSUS OUR FATHER OR MOTHER?!

WHY ME...?!!

WHY ONLY ME...?

TO HIM, YOUR LIFE... WAS MORE PRECIOUS THAN EVEN THE VILLAGE.

...BUT HE JUST COULDN'T BRING HIMSELF TO KILL YOU. DO YOU UNDER-STAND WHAT THAT MEANS?

I WANTED YOU TO GROW UP AND JUDGE ME. I DESERVED TO BE DEALT WITH ONLY BY ANOTHER UCHIHA!

YOU THINK I DID IT JUST FOR YOU?

YOU DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THE UCHIHA CLAN HAD DONE. YOU WERE JUST A CHILD.

BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING.

YOU'RE A CRIMINAL.

THAT HATRED MADE YOU GO ROGUE.

I WAS WRONG.

I USED YOUR HATRED.

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SHOOM

I TRIED TO LEAD YOU DOWN THAT PATH OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

BEFORE I DIED...

I CHANGED THE SIGNPOSTS ON THAT PATH WITH LIES AND MY OCULAR POWERS.

EVEN THOUGH ALL I WANTED WAS FOR YOU TO WALK THE RIGHT PATH.

TOK

.....

YOU OUGHT TO DECIDE YOUR OWN JOURNEY.

...YOU'RE RIGHT...

YEAH ...

I DON'T CARE FOR SUCH A PATH!!

YOU JUST WANTED ME TO FOLLOW YOUR SIGNPOSTS? WITH NO THOUGHTS OF MY OWN?

WHAT'S SO FUNNY?!

HEH...

...MY EYES CAN STRIP AWAY THE TOPCOAT OF PAINT NOW!

NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU TRY TO REWRITE THE SIGN-POSTS...

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NOTHING...

JUST REALIZING THAT THE SIGNPOSTS WERE NOT YOUR ONLY GUIDE...

...!

I SHALL NOT SAY ANYTHING MORE.

PROPERLY SPEAKING, I AM A DEAD MAN...

!?

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I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU. THERE ARE THINGS I'VE GOT TO DO.

I'M NOT RUNNING FROM YOU.

AND NOW, EVEN DEAD, YOU STILL RUN FROM ME?!

WHEN YOU WERE ALIVE, YOU NEVER PAID ANY ATTENTION TO ME, ALWAYS POKING MY FOREHEAD, SAYING FORGIVE ME, AND RUNNING OFF.

...THE EDOTENSEI!

ZWWW...

I MUST STOP...

YOU THERE, FEMALE MEDIC NINJA...

YOU'VE GOT *HIS* BLOOD RUNNING THROUGH YOUR VEINS?

WHAT OF IT?!

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.....!

ELIMINATING A PLATOON'S MEDIC NINJA FIRST IS AN ESTABLISHED TACTIC.

YOU THINK WE'D JUST LET YOU SALLY DOWN HERE AND MAKE THINGS EASY FOR YOU?

I'M TAKING YOU DOWN FIRST.

...WHA?!

IT'S BECAUSE SHE'S A DESCENDANT OF SENJU HASHIRAMA.

ZWW...

YOU'RE WRONG...

IT'S PATHETIC COMPARED TO SENJU HASHIRAMA.

YOUR MEDICAL NINJUTSU IS ONLY STRONG ENOUGH TO DEFER DEATH A WEE BIT.

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HE WAS THE ULTIMATE SHINOBI.

HE COULD HEAL WOUNDS WITHOUT WEAVING A SINGLE SIGN.

FSH

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THIS IS *NOTHING.*

I FOUGHT A *REAL* LIFE AND DEATH BATTLE AGAINST HIM.

EVEN IF YOU ARE A DESCENDANT OF HASHIRAMA, WHAT CAN YOU DO?

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YOU CAN'T USE WOOD STYLE. YOUR MEDICAL NINJUTSU DOES NOT EVEN COME CLOSE TO HIS.

AND YOU'RE A WEAK WOMAN!

I THINK YOU'VE GONE ON LONG ENOUGH!!!

PUNY SENJU EVEN MORE SO.

WEAKNESS REVOLTS ME.

I *AM* FIRST HOKAGE HASHIRAMA'S DESCENDANT. YET, I DON'T USE WOOD STYLE, THAT'S TRUE.

TRUE ALSO, I *AM* FEMALE.

BUT I AM NOT WEAK.

MY MEDICAL NINJUTSU *IS* PATHETIC COMPARED TO THE FIRST HOKAGE'S.

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?

MY TRUE POWER LIES IN SOMETHING PASSED ON TO ME FROM THE LINE OF THE FIRST HOKAGE?

PHYSICAL STRENGTH ISN'T EVERY-THING.

MY TRUE POWER LIES IN THE WILL OF FIRE!!

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577：憎しみの刃（ナンバー　にく　やいば）

YOU THINK YOU CAN BEAT ME WITH HASHIRAMA'S WILL OF FIRE?

577: Hate Blade

SHUP

SHUP

I USED THAT WILL TO DEVELOP MY MEDICAL NINJUTSU.

IT'S HOW I BECAME A MEDIC NINJA. IT'S HOW I FOUND MEDICAL LAW!

SHUP

YOU'RE WRONG!

HH!

THE WILL OF THE DEAD SHOWS ITS POWER IN THOSE THEY LEFT BEHIND!

POWER IS ONLY THE ABILITY TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN.

POWER IS NOT WILL.

THIS IS WHAT I TEACH MY STUDENTS.

BUT THERE IS ACTUALLY ONE MORE RULE!

RULE TWO: A MEDIC NINJA SHALL NEVER GO TO THE FRONT LINE!

SHHF...

RULE ONE: A MEDIC NINJA WILL NOT STOP TRYING TO HEAL A MEMBER TILL THAT NINJA'S DYING BREATH.

RULE THREE: A MEDIC NINJA SHOULD ALWAYS BE THE LAST OF THEIR PLATOON TO DIE!

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!

!

SHOO

OMF

...100 HEALINGS ...?

NEVER HEARD OF IT...

...100 HEALINGS, MAY BREAK THE FIRST THREE LAWS!

RULE FOUR: A MEDIC NINJA WHO MASTERS THE NINJA ART OF MITOTIC REGEN-ERATION...

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BUT THE ADOPTION OF A SINGLE MEDIC NINJA WON'T CHANGE ANYTHING...

THE PARTICLE STYLE JUTSU MAY HAVE DISSIPATED THE POLLEN...

IT IS A FORBIDDEN JUTSU THAT ONLY APPLIES TO ME.

I AM THE ONLY MEDIC NINJA ALLOWED TO DO BATTLE!!

FOO SH

FOUR WASN'T WORKING, SO WE'LL TRY FIVE!

I AM *NOT* AN ORDINARY MEDIC NINJA!

VOO SH

FSSSH

ZOO OM

KRAK KRAKKRAKKRAK

...BUT HER POWER, GREATER.

SHE'S SLOWER THAN THE RAIKAGE...

CREAK CREAK

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FABOO

FIRE STYLE! MAJESTIC DEMOLISHER FLAME!!

SH

FFFZZZZZZZ

SPLOOSH

WATER STYLE! WATER PILLAR!!

GLUB GLUB GLUB GLUB

FOLLOWED BY... WATER STYLE! WATER DRAGON MISSILE!!

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FOO SH

SWISH

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KRAK

WEIGHTED BOULDER! LATERAL BOLT OF PAIN!! CHOP!!!

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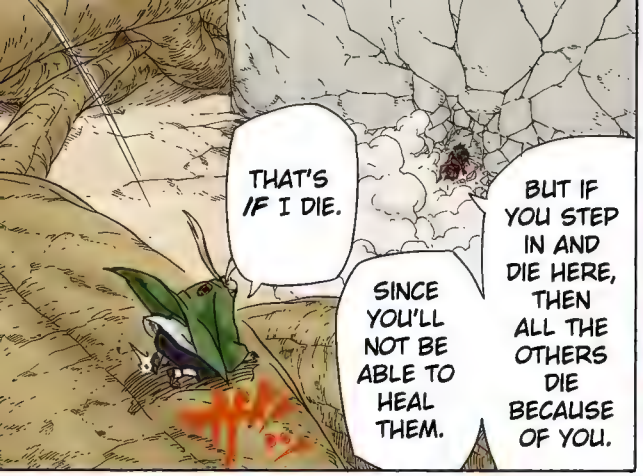

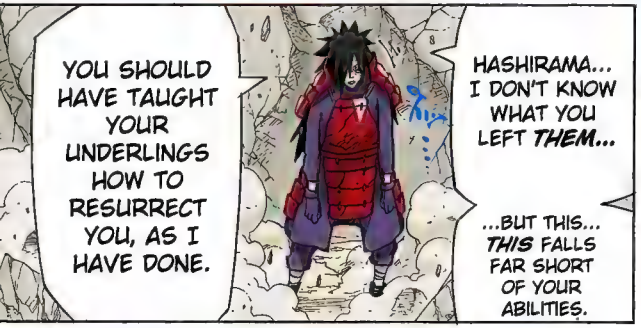

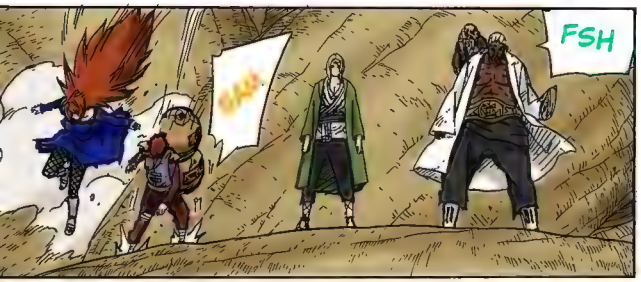

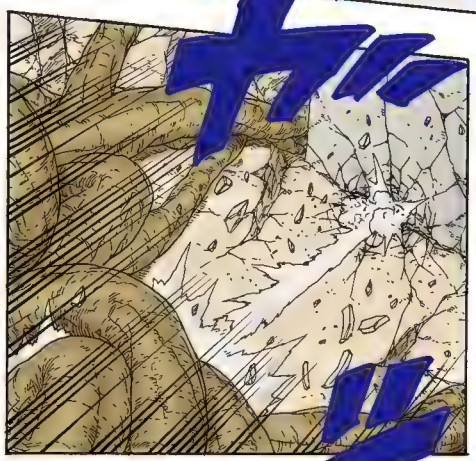

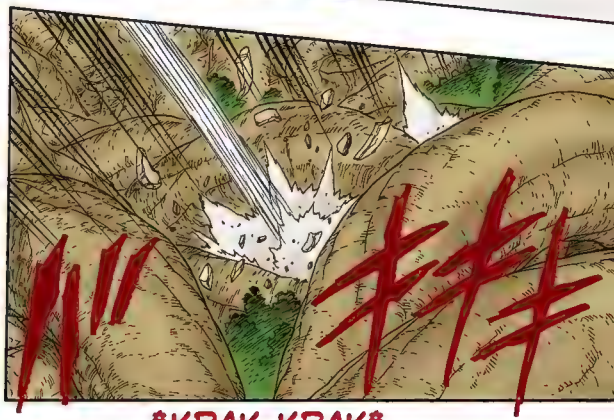

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YOU'RE WRONG !!

ALL THAT'S LEFT OF MY LITTLE BROTHER IS THE OCULAR POWER OF HIS EYES, WHICH ARE NOW MINE.

...IS *HATE.*

THE *ONLY* THING PASSED DOWN...

THE HOKAGE, LADY TSUNADE, HAS JOINED THE BATTLE!

NOW THAT THE REAL MADARA HAS SHOWN UP, THE FIVE KAGE NEED TO STOP MESSING AROUND.

WHAT?! *MADARA* WAS BROUGHT BACK WITH EDOTENSEI?!

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TSUNADE...

.....

WELL, LADY TSUNADE WENT THROUGH QUITE A LOT AFTER YOUR PASSING...

DID I NEGLECT TO TELL YOU?

BUT IN THE END, SHE DID IT AS A TRIBUTE TO YOU!

TSUNADE IS HOKAGE...?

!!?

SHE... BECAME HOKAGE?!

THAT'S WHY SHE'S LIVED THIS LONG, EVEN AMONG THE SHINOBI THREE!!

IT'S NOT POSSIBLE FOR LADY TSUNADE TO LOSE!

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DON'T SPREAD ANY, MORE HATE!!

YOU'RE ALREADY DEAD...

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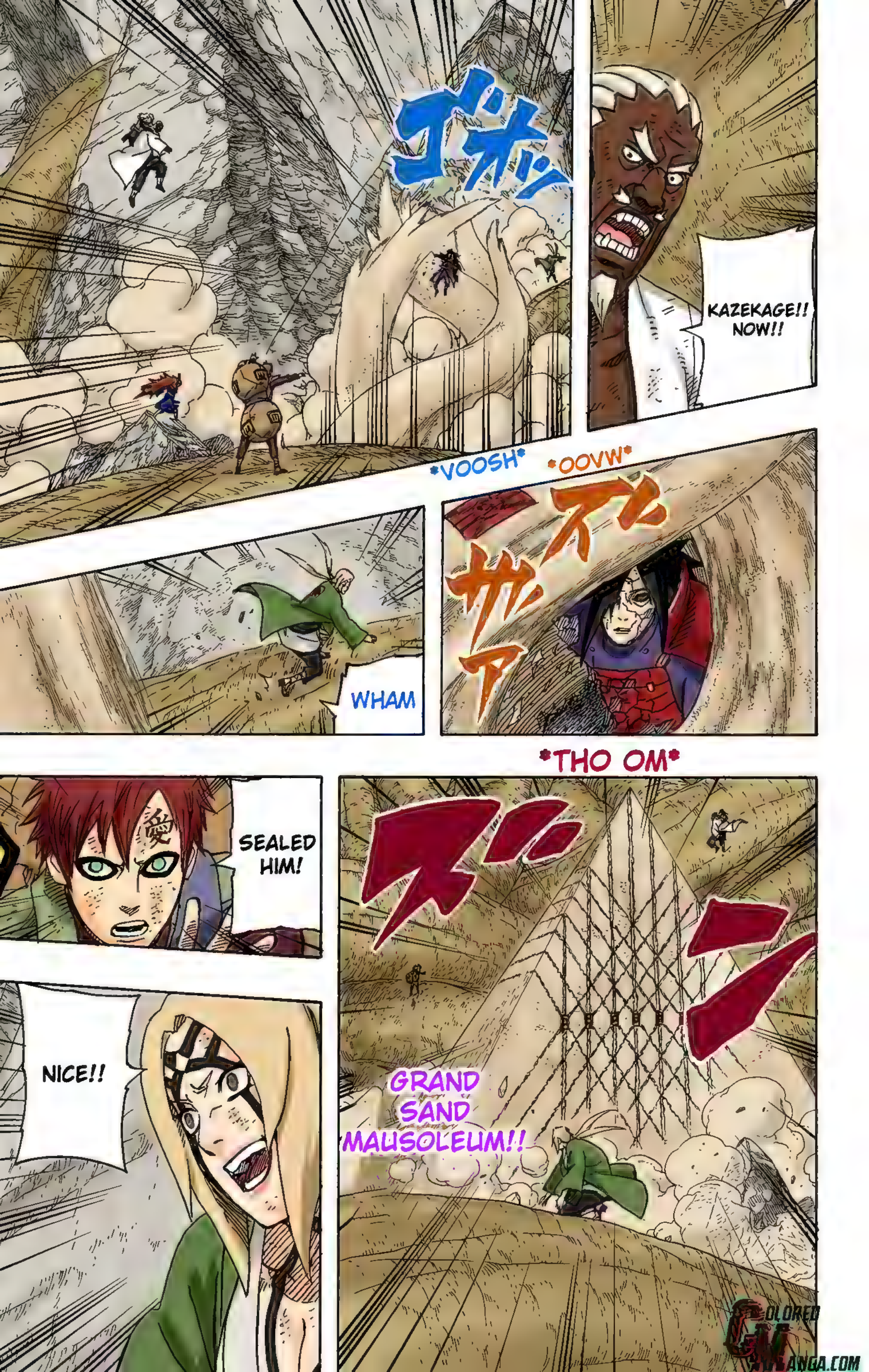

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MY OCULAR POWERS MADE ME THE ONLY SHINOBI...

...TO EVER SEE THROUGH THAT POWERFUL RUSE.

HASHIRAMA'S WOOD DOPPEL-GANGER!

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パキキ...

PLINK...

FSSSH...

FSSSHO...

NOW... FOR THE REST OF YOU KAGE!

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FSSSH...

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YOUR ONLY HOPE AT STOPPING HIM IS TO STOP THE ONE WHO CAST THE EDOTENSEI!!

DO NOT UNDER-ESTIMATE MADARA!

...IS THE LATE FIRST LORD HOKAGE!

EVEN AGAINST THE FIVE KAGE FACING HIM?

MADARA... IS THAT POWERFUL A SHINOBI?

THE ONLY SHINOBI WHO CAN BRING HIM DOWN...

THEY'VE BEEN DEVOTING ALL THEIR ENERGY TO IT, BUT WE'VE HAD NO GOOD INTEL...

MY GUARD AND MY BARRIER MAINTAINER STAY HERE. EVERYONE ELSE, GO AFTER THE EDOTENSEI CASTER!

WHAT HAS HQ BEEN DOING ABOUT IT?!

.....

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口寄せの術(くちよせのじゅつ)!!

KUCHIYOSE SUMMONING!!

DON'T DIE... TSUNADE ...

……!

!!

YOU STAY HERE.

BOOM

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WAP

UNH!

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!!

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!!

I DIDN'T THINK ANYONE WOULD BE CAPABLE OF DEFYING THE JUTSU AS YOU HAVE.

THANKS FOR THE TIP.

THAT... IS ANOTHER RISK OF THIS JUTSU... THOUGH YOU WON'T SURVIVE TO REMEMBER THAT FOR NEXT TIME.

WHILE YOU WERE CONTROLLING ME... I WAS ABLE TO CLEARLY PINPOINT WHERE YOUR CHAKRA WAS COMING FROM.

...AND FIND THIS PLACE.

I'M IMPRESSED YOU WERE ABLE TO PASS THROUGH MY BARRIER...

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YOU CANNOT KILL ME.

IF I DIE, YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO STOP THE JUTSU.

?

WELL, IF WE'RE ON THE SUBJECT... THERE'S ALSO SOMETHING I'D LIKE YOU TO KNOW.

THIS EDOTENSEI JUTSU WILL NOT COME UNDONE EVEN IF YOU KILL ME...

BUT I *AM* THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN STOP IT.

LADY LUCK SMILES UPON ME!

A-HA HA HA!!

HEH HEH HEH...

SLLLL

SIGH...

THINGS ARE NOT ALWAYS AS WE WISH THEM TO BE.

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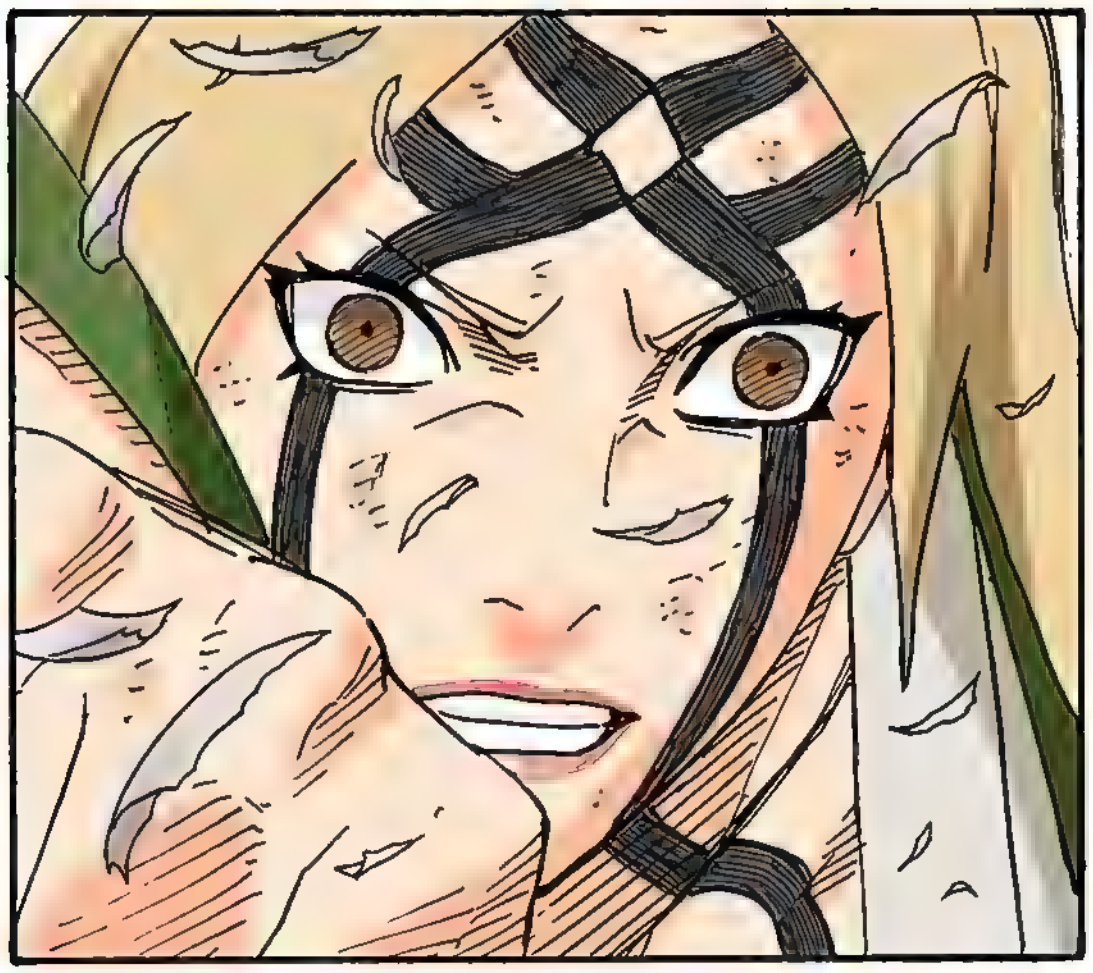

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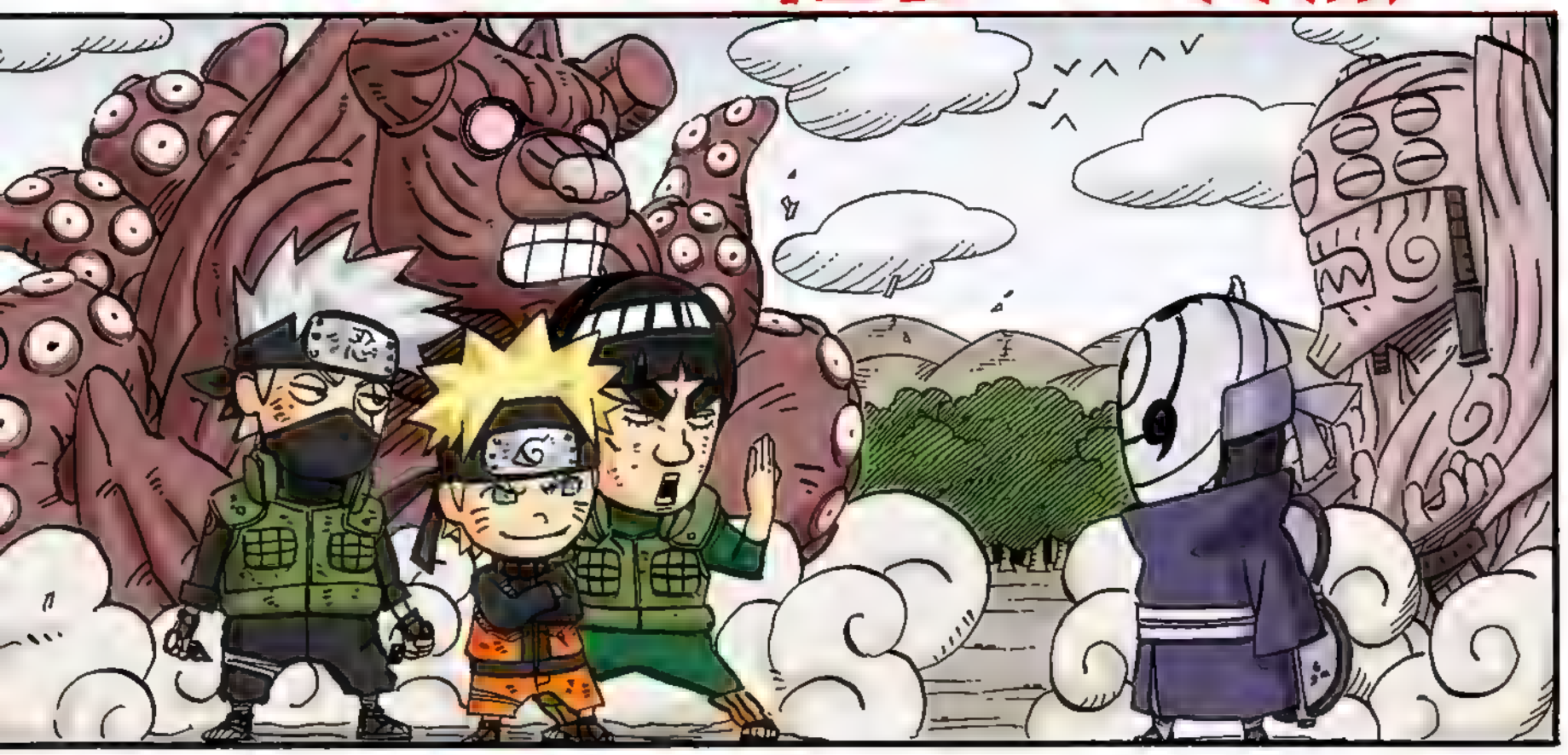

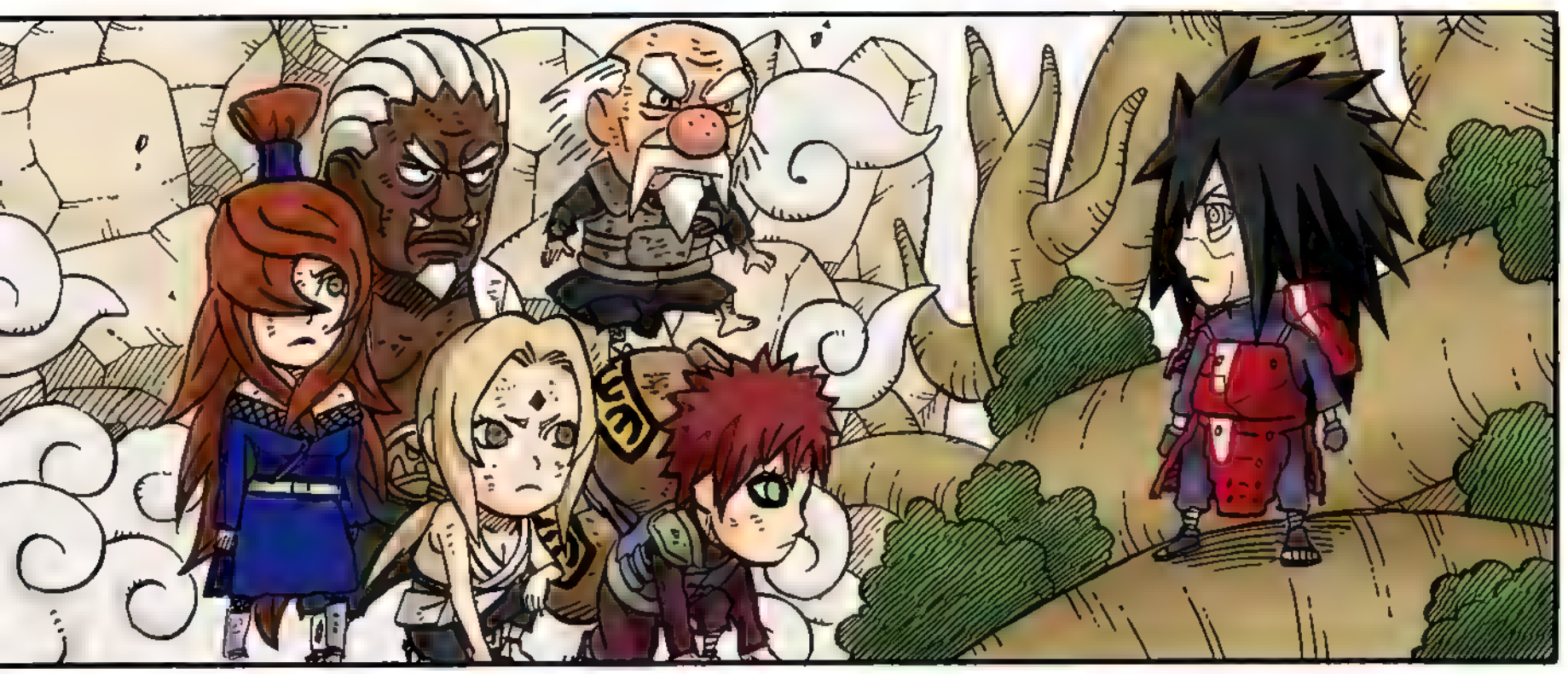

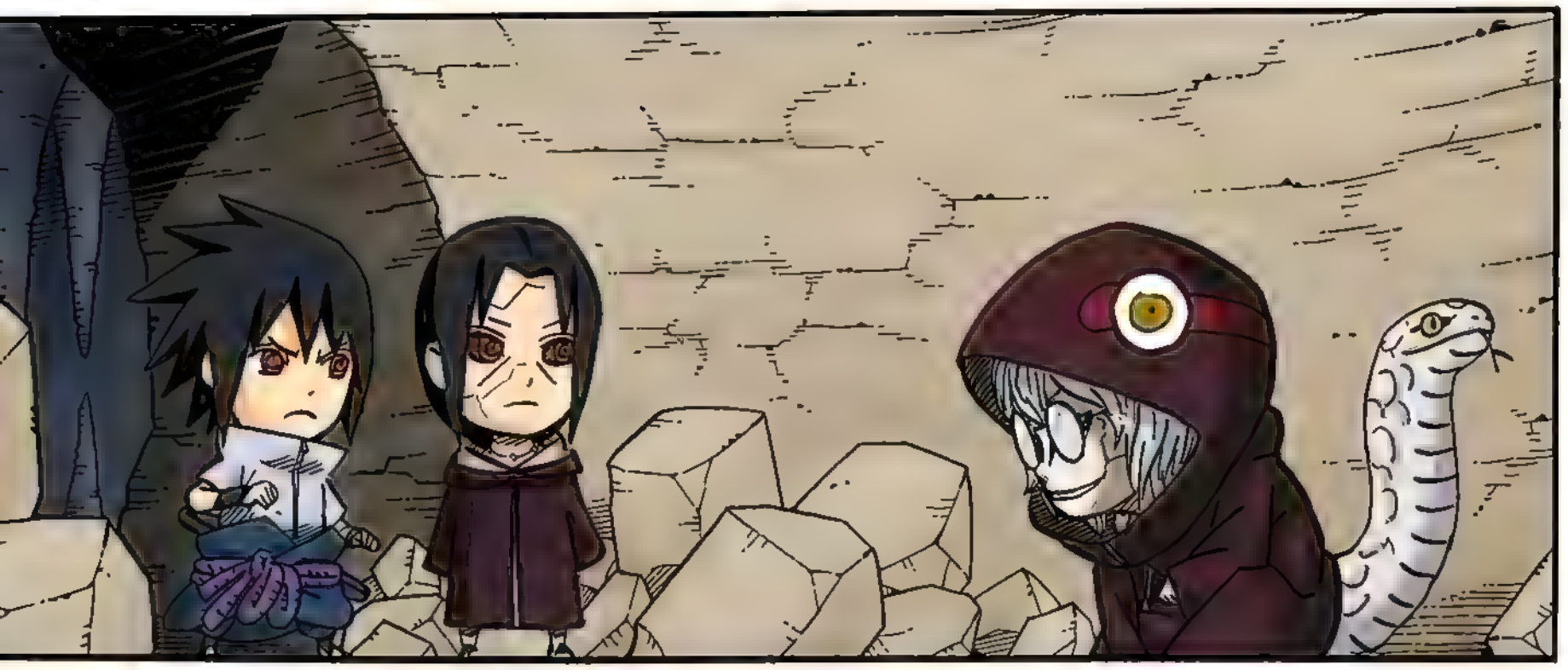

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WHOOOOOOOO

!

KRUNCH

SLLL...

シュルル...

WHAT IS SO IMPORTANT ABOUT THIS PLACE...

I'VE CAUGHT UP!

SHUP...

THAT VOICE...!

...!

FSH...

OROCHIMARU ...?!

HEH HEH... CLOSE, BUT NOT QUITE...

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GRRRR

キロ!!

.....

I AM SO LUCKY...

THAT MY COMPENSATION FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS WAR WOULD SHOW UP, ON HIS OWN, AT THIS PARTICULAR MOMENT...

KABUTO ...!

FSH

GO AHEAD... I'LL MAKE YOU STOP THE EDOTENSEI WHILE YOU DO...

THIS JUTSU HAS NO WEAKNESSES NOR ANY RISKS...

!?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT ARE YOU TWO DOING, MEETING HERE...?

IT'S RATHER COMPLI-CATED... BUT ALLOW ME TO TRY TO EXPLAIN...

NOW THEN... WHO SHALL I TAKE OUT NEXT?

SHUP

CON-VERSELY ...

IF YOU RUSH, YOU MAY NOT SUCCEED EVEN IF IT WERE POSSIBLE...

...EVEN IF YOU DO MAKE A MOVE, I DOUBT SASUKE WILL JUST QUIETLY STAND BACK AND WATCH...

I ALREADY TOLD YOU THAT, ITACHI... AND BESIDES...

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THWAK

!?

YAAAAAH !!!!

THK

ZWOP

WHUP

WAP

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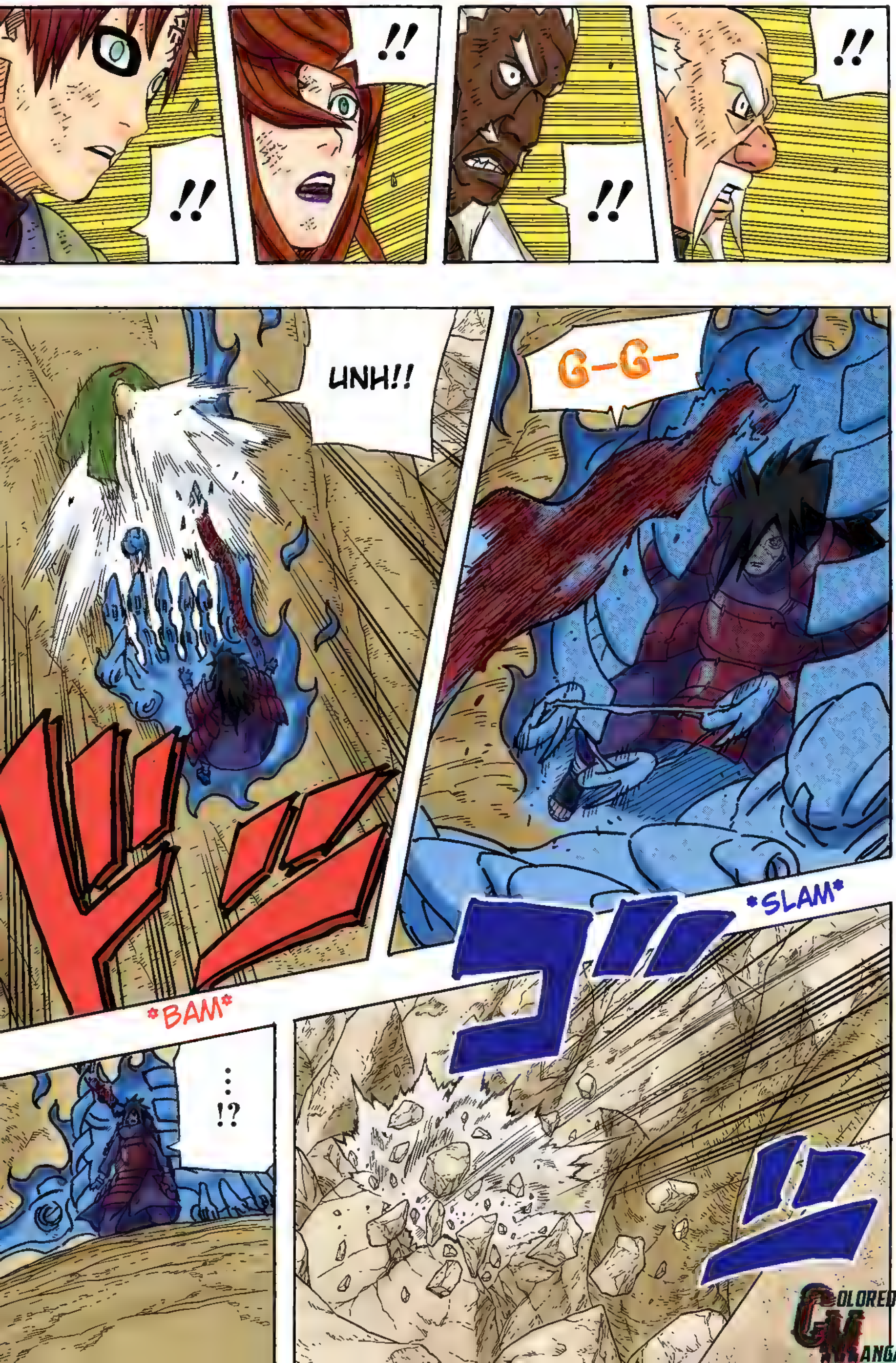

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KLATTER

FSSSS...

KLATTER

I'D HOPED TO CATCH YOU OFF GUARD WITH THIS, BUT...

REGENERATION WITHOUT WEAVING SIGNS... I SEE, SO THAT'S THE TRUE NATURE OF YOUR JUTSU THAT IS RULE FOUR...

IT'S JUST LIKE HASHIRAMA'S ABILITY...

FSSS...

PARTICLE STYLE! ATOMIC DISMANTLING JUTSU!!

FOOSH

VWWW...

YOU CAN'T KILL ME WITH MY OWN JUTSU.

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MY JUTSU CAN KILL YOU!

KAKK

ZWOP

IF YOU WANT TO KILL ME, YOU NEED TO HIT ME HARD, TAKE ME DOWN, THEN SEAL ME AWAY.

HAVE YOU GONE SENILE, OHNOKI? THE RINNEGAN CAN ABSORB ALL JUTSU... SO SUCH A NINJUTSU WILL NOT WORK ON ME.

BZZZ

WELL DONE!!

!?

...BUT IT SEEMS I BOOSTED YOUR MORALE INSTEAD.

I WAS HOPING TO DOUSE YOUR MORALE...

OH, THAT...? I WANTED TO SHOW YOU HASHIRAMA'S FACE.

SO I *SHOULD* BE ABLE TO KILL YOU WITH IT!

BUT MY EARLIER JINTON (PARTICLE STYLE) SCRAPED OFF YOUR LEFT SHOULDER...

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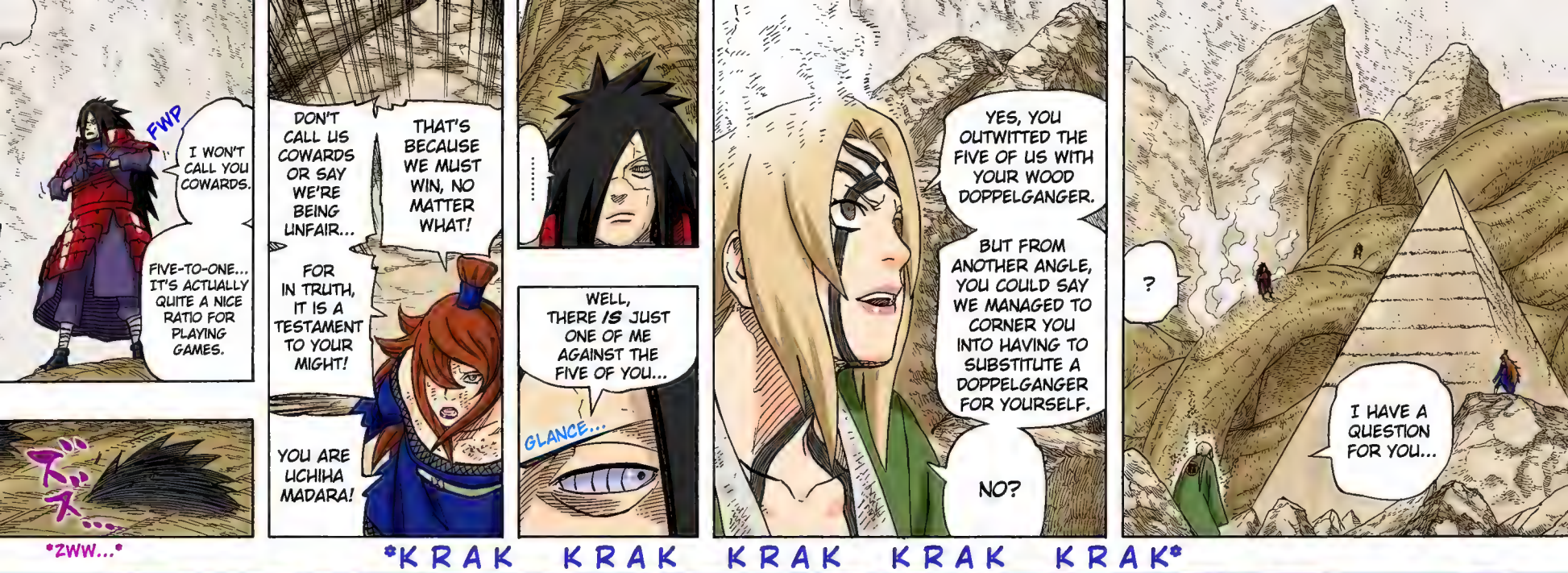
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I WON'T CALL YOU COWARDS.
FIVE-TO-ONE... IT'S ACTUALLY QUITE A NICE RATIO FOR PLAYING GAMES.
ZWW...
DON'T CALL US COWARDS OR SAY WE'RE BEING UNFAIR...
FOR IN TRUTH, IT IS A TESTAMENT TO YOUR MIGHT!
YOU ARE UCHIHA MADARA!
THAT'S BECAUSE WE MUST WIN, NO MATTER WHAT!
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WELL, THERE *IS* JUST ONE OF ME AGAINST THE FIVE OF YOU...
GLANCE...
YES, YOU OUTWITTED THE FIVE OF US WITH YOUR WOOD DOPPELGANGER.
BUT FROM ANOTHER ANGLE, YOU COULD SAY WE MANAGED TO CORNER YOU INTO HAVING TO SUBSTITUTE A DOPPELGANGER FOR YOURSELF.
NO?
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I HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOU...
KRAK KRAK KRAK KRAK KRAK

ART OF MULTIPLE WOOD DOPPEL-GANGERS!!

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SO... NOW I'VE GOT A QUESTION FOR YOU.

HERE'S ANOTHER FIVE-TO-ONE.

AND DON'T YOU COMPLAIN, EITHER. YOU ARE THE FIVE KAGE.

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...SO THAT'S THE TALE OF THE WAR.

.....

...OR NOT? YOUR CHOICE.

WOULD YOU LIKE THESE DOPPELGANGERS TO USE SUSANO'O...

IN SHORT, ITACHI, YOU'RE A BOTHERSOME PRESENCE TO BOTH SASUKE AND MYSELF.

SINCE I'VE NOW RECALLED HIM BACK INTO THIS REALM.

AND YOU, SASUKE, WANT TO DEFEAT THE BANE OF THE UCHIHA CLAN, ITACHI, ONCE AGAIN.

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I CAME HERE CHASING AFTER ITACHI IN ORDER TO TALK TO HIM.

I HAVE NO DESIRE TO CALL THAT THING "MASTER"... PLUS, IT SEEMS YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING.

...WELL, SHALL WE TEAM UP AND TAKE ITACHI DOWN TOGETHER, SASUKE?

WE DO BOTH SHARE THE SAME SNAKE POWER AND MASTER...

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...WHOSE SIDE *ARE* YOU ON?

SO THEN...

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WOOSH

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KACHNK KACHNK

AND HE'S YOUR ENEMY RIGHT NOW TOO, NO?!

WHY'D YOU DO THAT?!

HE'S JUST LIKE OROCHI-MARU... WHICH MAKES HIM MY ENEMY!

THK

THK

THK

PLOP

PLOP

BUT FIRST, WE NEED TO TAKE THIS ONE DOWN...

...*WITHOUT* KILLING HIM.

...I HEAR YOU, AND WE *SHALL* TALK LATER...

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SO WE'LL START BY CASTING TSUKUYOMI UPON HIM AND FIND OUT HOW TO STOP THE JUTSU.

IF YOU KILL AN EDOTENSEI CASTER, THE JUTSU CAN NEVER BE UNDONE.

SHUP

!?

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AND THEN I'LL MANIPULATE HIM INTO UNDOING THE JUTSU WHILE KEEPING HIM IN THE NIGHTMARE REALM!

.....?

THIS JUTSU'S WEAKNESS AND RISK...

EVERY JUTSU HAS A WEAK POINT.

IT'LL HOPEFULLY GO AS SMOOTHLY AS YOU SAY BUT I TOLD YOU, THIS JUTSU HAS NEITHER ANY WEAKNESSES NOR ANY RISKS...

THANKS FOR THE CLEAR PLAY-BY-PLAY...

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SSSH...

...IS ME!

.....

SO THIS TIME, FOR SURE—

SHUP

ITACHI... YOU'VE KEPT LYING TO ME, TELLING ME NEXT TIME OR LATER BUT THEN DYING ON ME...

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I PLAN TO HONOR IT.

THEY SAY YOU TAKE YOUR PERSONALITY WITH YOU TO THE GRAVE... THEN AGAIN, I'VE ALREADY DIED ONCE...

...I'M HOLDING YOU TO YOUR PROMISE!

SHUP...

SLITHER...

WHO WOULDA THOUGHT.

THE ESTRANGED BROTHERS COME TOGETHER AT LAST... TO GANG UP ON ME!

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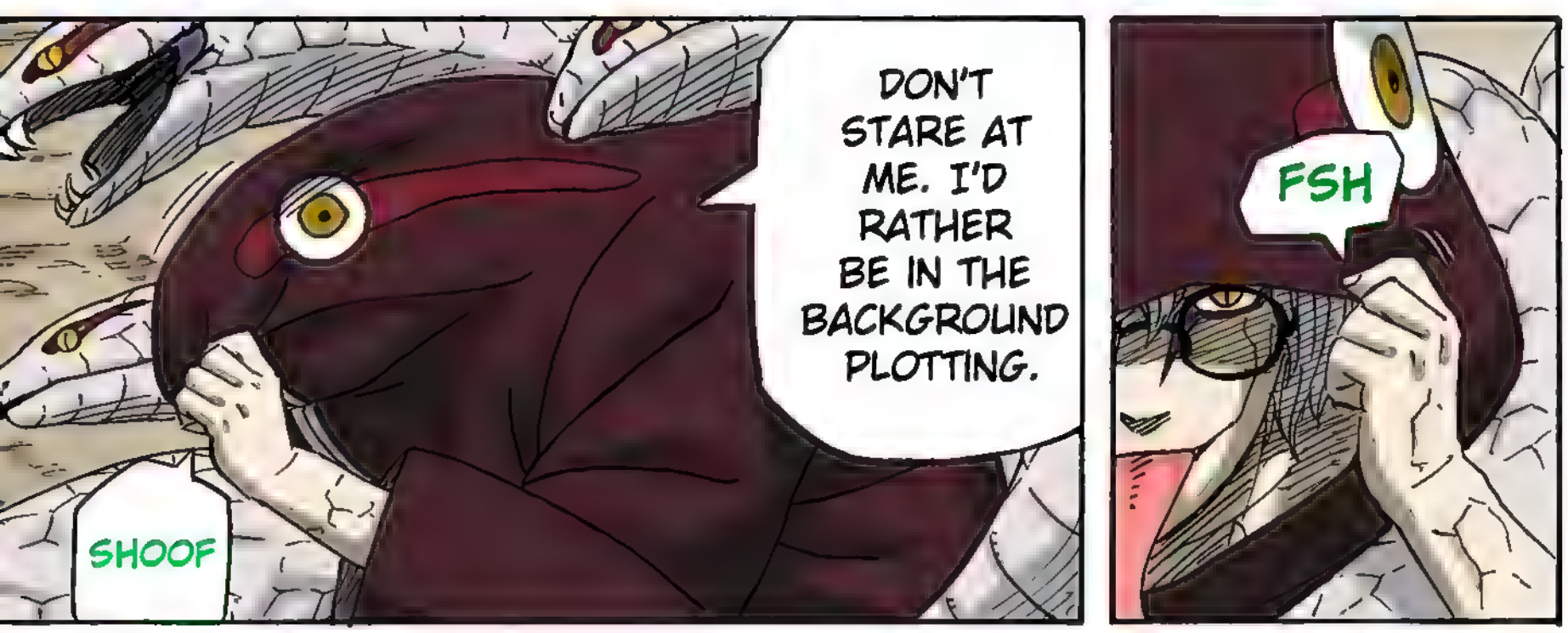

DON'T STARE AT ME. I'D RATHER BE IN THE BACKGROUND PLOTTING.

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A COUNTER-MEASURE AGAINST GENJUTSU, HUH...

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THEY'RE ABLE TO SENSE EXACTLY WHERE WE ARE...

THE WAY THOSE SNAKES ARE MOVING...

SNAKES PERCEIVE BODY HEAT AND CAN SMELL THE AIR WITH THEIR TONGUES.

ZWW

I CHOSE THIS BATTLEFIELD... NATURE IS MY ALLY.

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HA! BEING A SNAKE EXPERT WILL ***NOT*** HELP YOU TAKE ***ME*** DOWN!

ZWW

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YOU'VE STUDY A LOT... YOU'RE LIKE A SNAKE EXPERT NOW.

OF COURSE I DID... I HAD TO TAKE DOWN OROCHIMARU, DIDN'T I?

...OH NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.

TRAPS?

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ZWOO...

THERE ARE GOING TO BE TRAPS, SASUKE!

THE TERRAIN GIVES HIM AN ADVANTAGE!

THEY'RE BIGGER?!

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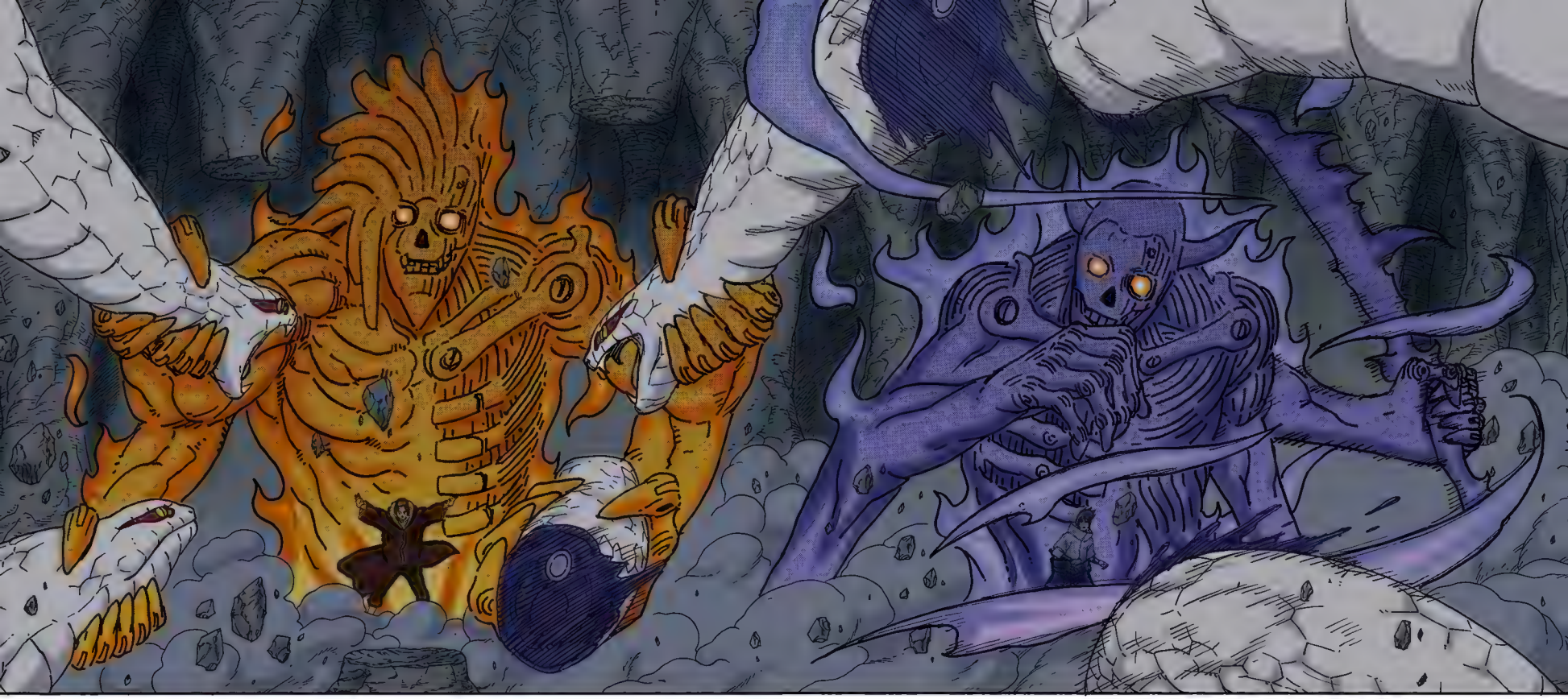

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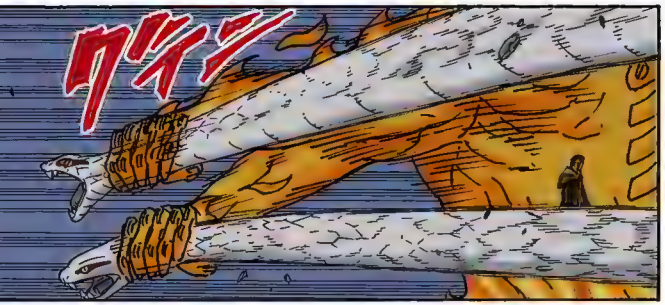

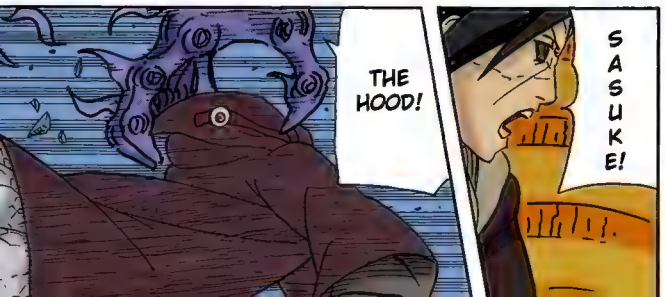

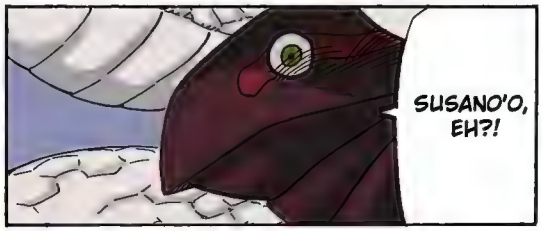

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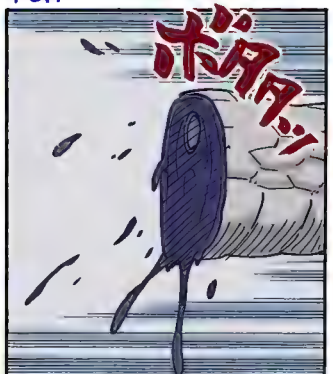

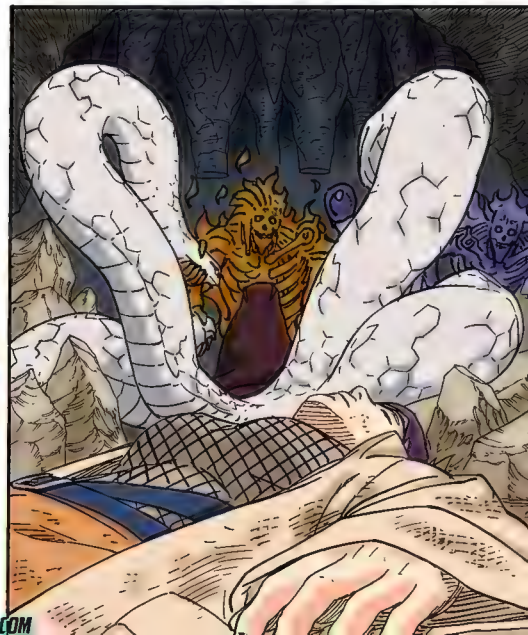

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FIRST YOU HIDE YOUR FACE, AND NOW YOUR ENTIRE BODY?

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YOU'RE TAKING THIS BEHIND-THE-SCENES MASTERMIND THING A LITTLE TOO FAR, KABUTO!

ZWOO

WELL... THEN AGAIN, I ***WAS*** LISTED LOWER THAN YOU ON THE DANGER SCALE IN THE BINGO BOOK...

AND OF COURSE I'M NOTHING COMPARED TO LORD OROCHIMARU.

SASUKE... YOU UNDER-ESTIMATE ME...

ALL YOU HAVE IS WHAT YOU TOOK FROM OROCHI-MARU, YOU ARE STILL NOTHING!

SO YOU'VE SHED YOUR SKIN AND ARE RUNNING AWAY?

SWOOO...

SHKEEN

FOR SURE, IF ***THIS*** IS WHAT YOU CONSIDER HIDING.

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BE CAREFUL, SASUKE.

THERE ARE PIECES OF HIS CHAKRA EVERYWHERE... AND NO TELLING WHICH OF THEM IS THE REAL HIM.

I'VE APPLIED THE HOZUKI CLAN'S FLESH-TRANSFORMING ABILITY TO THIS TECHNIQUE.

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SLUUUU...

TO DETACH AND SEPARATE USING ONE'S OWN LIFE SUBSTANCE... THAT'S WHY IT LOOKS LIKE A SHED.

IT'S THE ABILITY TO TRANSFORM ONE'S FLESH INTO LIQUID.

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SLUUUU...

SLUUUU...

I COULD ALWAYS RECUPERATE QUICKLY.

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SZZZ...

SZZZ...

A HEALING TECHNIQUE THAT I STUDIED FROM THE BODY OF A WOMAN ORIGINALLY OF THE UZUMAKI CLAN...

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HE CAN TRANSFORM FROM HUMAN TO WATER... BACK TO HUMAN AGAIN.

YOU KNOW WHO I MEAN, RIGHT? SUIGETSU.

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KARIN IS UZUMAKI?

SOMEONE YOU'RE QUITE FAMILIAR WITH... KARIN.

...AND THEIR LIFE FORCE IS AS TENACIOUS AS A COCKROACH'S.

A SPECIAL TRAIT OF THOSE WITH UZUMAKI BLOOD FLOWING THROUGH THEIR VEINS IS THEIR RED HAIR..

AT ANY RATE, YOU HAVE QUITE THE EXPERT EYE TO HAVE CHOSEN THREE...

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NOW THEN... THAT LEAVES ONE LAST MEMBER OF YOUR LITTLE TEAM...

OR.. PERHAPS YOU ARE NO LONGER COMRADES...?

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DO YOU HAVE JUGO'S ABILITIES TOO?

YOU TOOK THEM FROM OROCHIMARU'S CURSE MARK?

IN THE SHINOBI WORLD, THOSE WITHOUT TALENT ARE NOTHING.

BUT THOSE WHO LACK TALENT CAN JUST STEAL IT FROM THOSE WHO HAVE IT!

……?

NO. THAT IS JUST A TEMPORARY BOOST.

THAT *POWER* I ACTUALLY MASTERED, MYSELF... AT RYUCHI CAVE.

RYUCHI CAVE?

NO...!

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SLLLL SLLLL...

YES! I FOUND IT!

A PLACE AS LEGENDARY AS MOUNT MYOBOKU... AND THE SHIKKOTSU WOODS!

LORD OROCHIMARU IS NOT THE ONLY ONE TO HAVE REACHED IT!

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I TRAINED UNDER THE WHITE SNAKE SAGE AND AWAKENED THIS ABILITY!

SLOOOO

I WAS FINALLY ABLE TO SURPASS OROCHIMARU!

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CAREFUL, SASUKE!

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NATURE IS MY ALLY AS I SAID BEFORE.

MY SENSORY ABILITY IS FAR BETTER THAN IT USED TO BE...

...THE SUSANO'O ARROW...?!

HE DODGED...

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JUGO'S CLAN HAVE ALWAYS HAD CONTROL OVER NATURAL ENERGY SOURCES.

SO HE *DOES* HAVE...

NATURE...?

LORD OROCHIMARU WASN'T INTERESTED IN JUGO'S RAMPAGES...

...SO MUCH AS THE ORIGIN OF HIS CLAN'S POWER.

THAT'S THE SECRET BEHIND THOSE RAMPAGES... THE ABILITY CAUSES THEM TO SUDDENLY BECOME MORE POWERFUL AND WILD.

!?

BUT... HE DIDN'T YET POSSESS A BODY THAT COULD TOLERATE IT...

LORD OROCHIMARU IMMEDIATELY TRIED TO ACQUIRE THAT POWER...

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THAT'S WHY...

...AND THAT WAS THE RYUCHI CAVE.

HE FINALLY TRACKED DOWN THE SOURCE OF THE POWER...

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HE COULDN'T BECOME THE PERFECT SAGE *THAT I HAVE BECOME!*

WHAM

...USING SAGE MODE!

YOU ARE...

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I AM NO LONGER A SNAKE...

SAGE POWER HAS ALLOWED ME TO SHED THAT SKIN!

YOU OUGHT TO KNOW BETTER, SNAKE EXPERT...

SHUP...

YOU ARE JUST LIKE OROCHIMARU! A DISGUSTING SNAKE!

SAGE TECHNIQUE! WHITE EXTREME ATTACK!!

I AM A DRAGON!!

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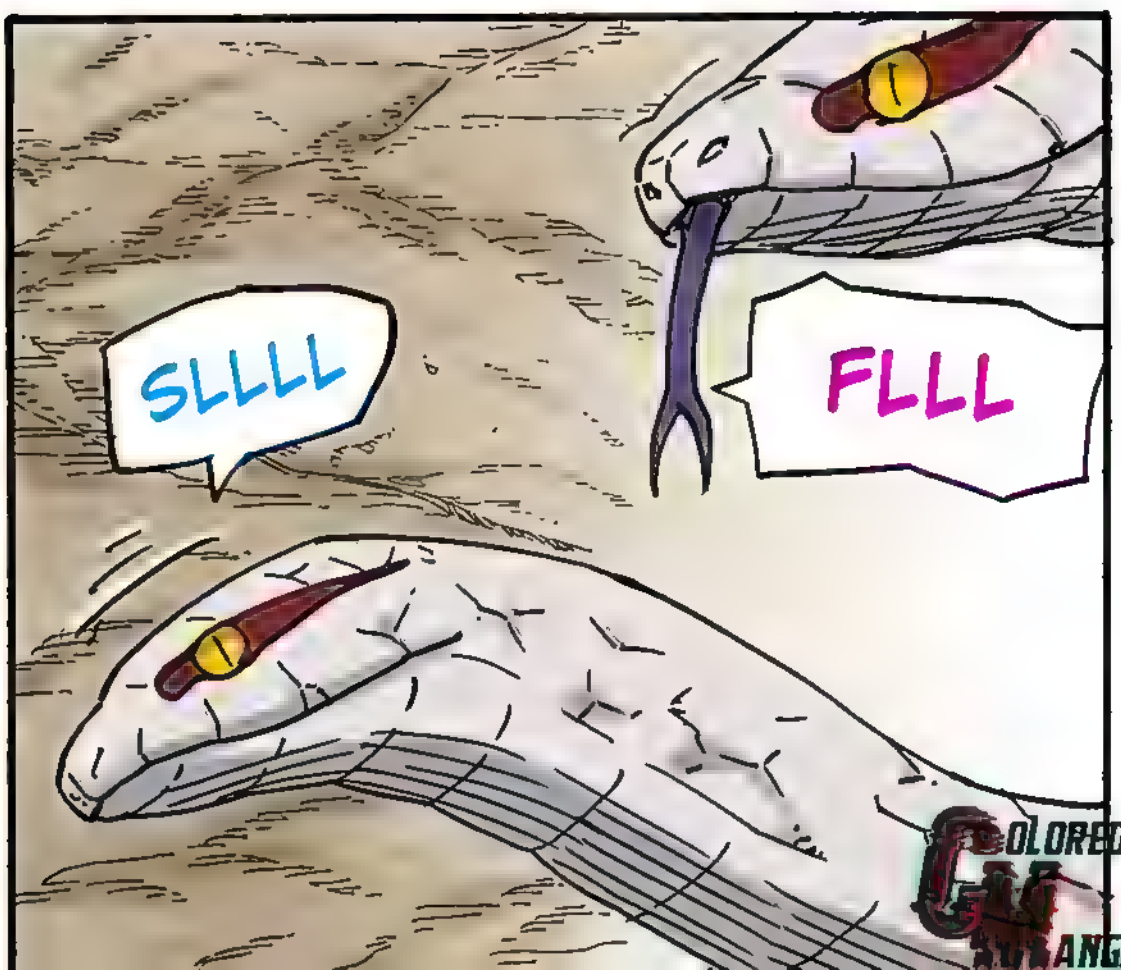
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SAGE TECHNIQUE! WHITE EXTREME ATTACK!!!

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KWEEEEEEEEE

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A JUTSU THAT CAUSES THE AIR TO OSCILLATE. TO PARALYZE SENSES... FREEZING YOU IN PLACE...

LIGHT AND SOUND TO KNOCK OUT SIGHT AND HEARING...

MY EARS... THIS SOUND IS RATTLING MY BONES!

...!!!

EEEEEEEEEEEE

BY TURNING MY BODY TO LIQUID, I CAN ALSO SIMPLY FLOW WITH SOUND AND VIBRATION.

WITH MY SNAKE EYES, I CAN SHUT MY SIGHT OFF AND BLCK THE LIGHT.

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UGH! IT'S NO USE...

I CAN'T HOLD SUSANO'O...

THANKS TO MY SAGE POWERS, I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN MOVE IN THESE CONDITIONS.

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"VOOOSH"

I NEED TO GO AFTER ITACHI... REWRITE THE TAG IN HIS HEAD AND MAKE HIM A PAWN AGAIN...

OR... EVEN BETTER...

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"WHAM"

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ZWOP

RRREEEE

SENSING MY CHAKRA?

ITACHI... YOU ALWAYS SEEM TO FIND ME.

!!

SCREECH

OR ARE YOU TRYING TO FOOL ME AGAIN?

I REMEMBER YOU SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT WHEN I WAS CONTROLLING YOU.

SO NOW THAT I'M NOT, YOU CAN'T SENSE MY CHAKRA?

WHILE YOU WERE CONTROLLING ME... I WAS ABLE TO CLEARLY PINPOINT WHERE YOUR CHAKRA WAS COMING FROM.

WAIT A MINUTE!

KAFUH KAFUH

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!?

NAGATO WAS ABLE TO RELAY THAT INFORMATION.

I HAVE NO SUCH ABILITY.

I WAS NEVER THE ONE WHO COULD PINPOINT YOUR CHAKRA.

VWOOSH

I MERELY MOVE TO PROTECT THAT WHICH I THINK YOU'LL MOST WANT TO ATTACK.

BUT I ALWAYS KNOW WHAT YOUR TARGET IS ANYWAY. I DO HAVE INSTINCTS, YOU KNOW.

AND THEN USE MY BROTHER TO STOP ME.

YOUR BEST CHANCE TO CAPTURE SASUKE IS NOW, BEFORE EITHER OF US FIGURES OUT YOUR JUTSU!

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YOU'LL HAVE TO CATCH HIM FIRST.

IF YOU REALLY WANT SASUKE...

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WHAT SETS YOU APART FROM THE REST OF YOUR UCHIHA BRETHREN IS THAT YOU HAVE *TRUE* OCULAR POWERS...

THE ABILITY TO PEER INTO AND READ PEOPLE'S SOULS...

...AND USE WHAT YOU LEARN IN BATTLE.

THAT IS WHY YOU'RE SO GOOD AT DECEIVING PEOPLE... YOU DIED A GENIUS...

...AT LYING!

...!!

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WHOOSH

WHAT?!

HE'S ON THE CEI-LING ...!

FOOSH

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YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO TRUST YOUR LIAR OF A BROTHER.

YOU THINK A MAKESHIFT TEAM OF TWO PEOPLE WHO HATE EACH OTHER CAN STOP ME?

.....

SASUKE...

...DO YOU REMEMBER THAT TIME LONG AGO, WHEN YOU TAGGED ALONG ON MY BOAR MISSION?

.....!?

I REMEM-BER.

OH... THAT THE ONE THAT WAS RUINING OUR FIELDS...?

BZAK...

DON'T KILL HIM!

YEAH.

READY?

SHUP

?

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I KNOW!

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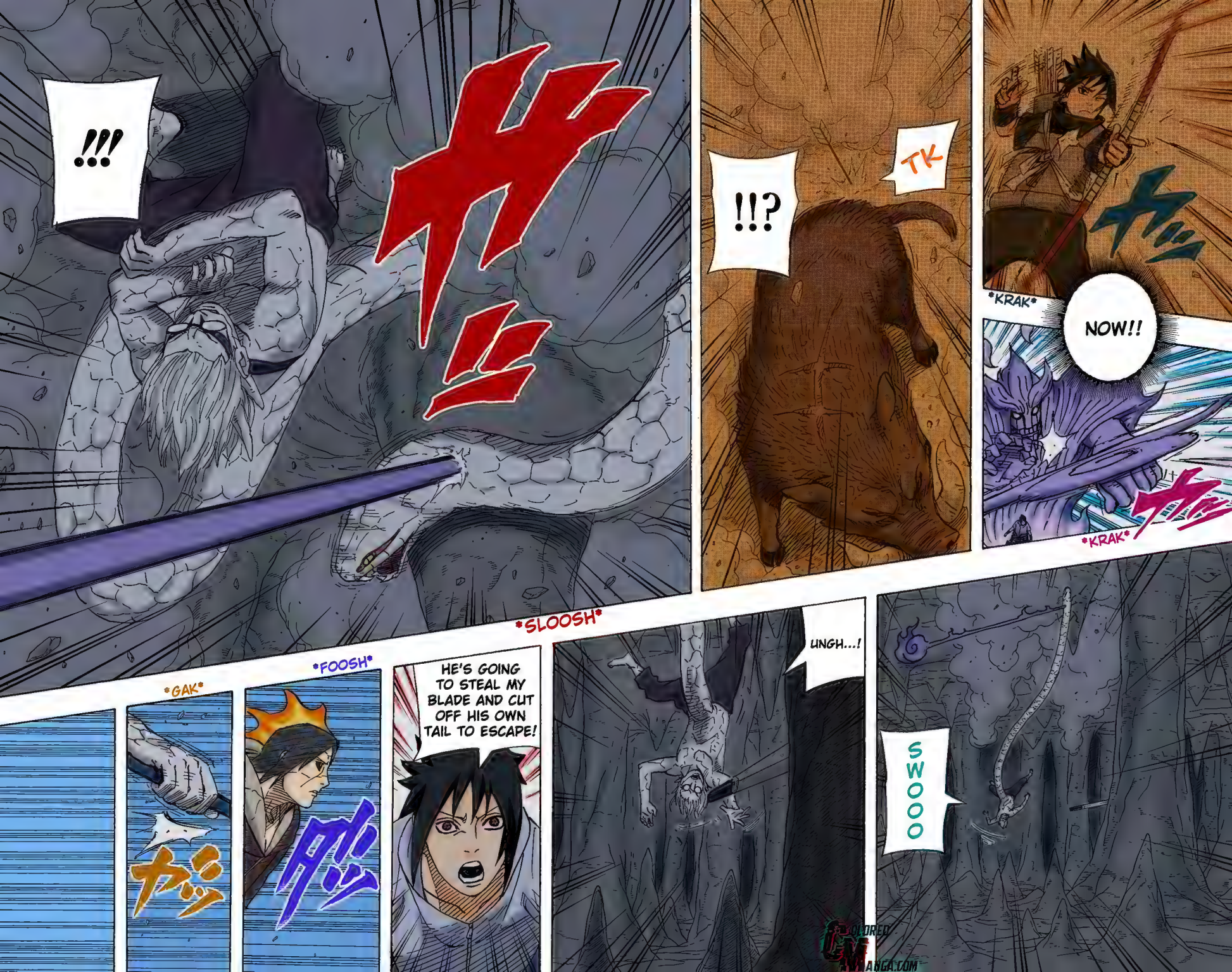
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UNGH...!
SWOOO
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HE'S GOING TO STEAL MY BLADE AND CUT OFF HIS OWN TAIL TO ESCAPE!

SZOOOSH

I WARNED YOU... WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU WERE TOO EAGER...

SLOOSH...

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UGH...!

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WAP

WOOSH

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CLINK

WHAM

I FORGOT I HAVE HORNS NOW.

OH, THAT'S RIGHT.

SHUP

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YOU STILL NEED TO TRAIN.

SORRY... BROTHER...

YOU COMPLETELY MISSED.

WHIMP

LOOKS LIKE YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO KILL THAT GIANT BOAR NOW.

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WELL, YEAH...

EXCEPT FIRST, I'VE GOT TO TAKE DOWN THAT SNAKE.

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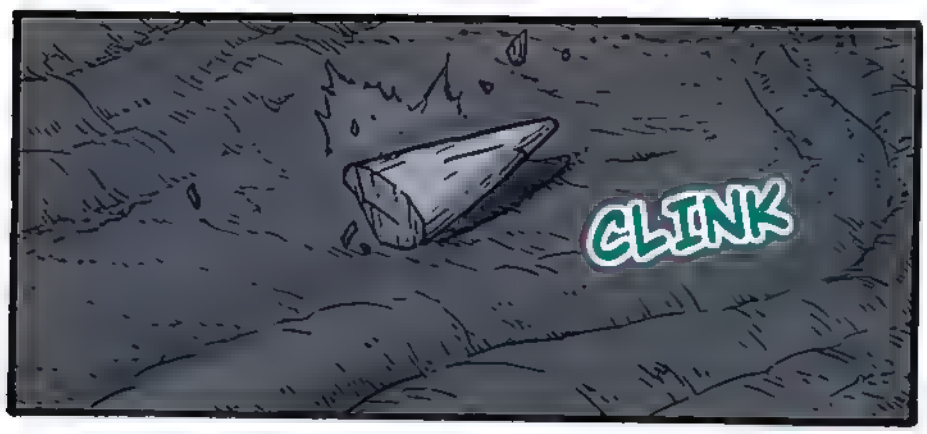
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RIGHT NOW YOU TWO LOOK ALMOST LIKE PALS.

YOU, THE SIBLINGS WITH THE WORST CASE OF RIVALRY ON RECORD.

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IT'S NOT TOO HARD TO GUESS THAT SOMETHING HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU BACK WHEN YOU TOOK ITACHI DOWN...

BUT WHAT IS IT THAT YOU WANT TO ASK OF A ONCE DEAD MAN?

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WSH...

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THE TRUTH.

OH, REALLY?

SO YOU DON'T REALLY TRUST ITACHI AFTER ALL.

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...MAYBE YOU *ALREADY KNOW* THE TRUTH ABOUT ITACHI?

SASUKE...

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NO WONDER YOU DIDN'T RETURN TO KONOHA AFTER DEFEATING ITACHI...

NO WONDER YOU JOINED THE AKATSUKI IN THEIR ANTI-KONOHA PLANS!

THAT'S WHY...

IT ALL MAKES SO MUCH SENSE TO ME NOW.

.....

ZING..

...YOU INTEND TO DESTROY THE VILAGE THAT CAUSED YOUR BROTHER PAIN?

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...IS A LIAR!

WELL, YOUR BROTHER...

YOU FOLLOWED YOUR BROTHER HERE TO FIND OUT THE TRUTH ONCE AND FOR ALL.

YOU WANTED ALL THE DIRTY DETAILS, DIDN'T YOU?

NO DENIALS?

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...ISN'T IT A BIT ODD?

SO...

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ISN'T THAT IN DIRECT OPPOSITION TO WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO?

ITACHI WAS WILLING TO KILL HIS OWN FAMILY TO PROTECT KONOHA.

.....

LORD OROCHIMARU COULD NOT COMPLETE ***OPERATION DESTROY KONOHA***, IT IS I WHO HAS INHERITED THAT TASK.

I'M THE ONE... WHO WANTS WHAT YOU WANT!

.....

HE'S NOT EVEN ***HIM!*** HE'S ALREADY DEAD!

YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO FEEL GUILTY!

JOIN ME AND STAB YOUR TREACHEROUS BROTHER ITACHI IN THE BACK IN THE PROCESS!

PONDER THAT CAREFULLY..

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YOU ALL SHOULD MARK HIS ENTRY IN YOUR BINGO BOOKS "N/A" AND CROSS HIM OFF YOUR LISTS.

WE'VE RECEIVED INTEL THAT UCHIHA ITACHI OF THE AKATSUKI HAS DIED.

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SO THAT TRAITOR HAS FINALLY DIED, EH.

FSH

UNH

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INCLUDING EVEN JOINING THE AKATSUKI AND ATTACKING KONOHA!

FOR ALL HIS CRIMES!

IT'S SHOCKINGLY PURE RET-RIBUTION!

SO IRONIC, THAT A KIN KILLER BE KILLED BY HIS OWN KIN.

HIS LITTLE BROTHER SASUKE, APPARENTLY.

WHO KILLED HIM, CAPTAIN?

HE'S KONOHA'S ALL-TIME WORST VILLAIN!

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K-KLATTER

WHICH IS WHY I REALLY WANTED ONE OF *US* TO TAKE HIM DOWN!!

THK

IT'S NOT A QUESTION OF MONEY. YOU'RE OUT OF LINE...

I WONDER HOW MUCH?

HAVING TAKEN DOWN SUCH A SPECIAL S-CLASS CRIMINAL, HIS LITTLE BROTHER WILL PROBABLY RECEIVE MERITORIOUS DECORATIONS AND A LARGE BOUNTY FROM NATION AND VILLAGE, RIGHT?

!?

WELL... I KNOW, BUT...

SHUP

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SWSH

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I'LL TEACH THEM THE TRUTH!!

THEY DO NOT KNOW THE TRUTH...

PLUS, THERE ARE TOO MANY PEOPLE HERE.

SO NO ONE WILL BELIEVE THE TRUTH ANYWAY... LOOK HOW LONG IT TOOK YOU...

ITACHI DID IN FACT SLAUGHTER HIS OWN UCHIHA CLAN.

AS AN AKATSUKI MEMBER, HE PRETENDED TO ATTACK KONOHA.

THE CURRENT HOKAGE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW THE FACTS.

DON'T... EVEN IF THEY TRY TO CONFIRM THE TRUTH ABOUT ITACHI WITH THEIR SUPERIORS, KONOHA'S ELDERS WILL DENY IT VEHEMENTLY.

"UNH UNH"

BROTHER SACRIFICED *EVERYTHING* FOR THESE WORMS WHO WOULD BRAND HIM A TRAITOR...

FOR THESE WORMS...

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WE'RE NOT THE SAME!

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IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, WHAT IS IT THAT *YOU* WANT...?

IT'S WHAT ITACHI WANTED.

MY OPERATION DESTROY KONOHA IS NOTHING LIKE YOURS!

I'M JUST LIKE ITACHI...

IT WAS ALL FINE AND GOOD TO BE TAKEN IN BY KONOHA SHINOBI, BUT SINCE NO ONE KNEW MY ORIGINS, I WAS IMMEDIATELY RAISED TO BE A SPY...

...MEDICAL NINJUTSU DRILLED INTO ME SO THAT ENEMIES WOULD TRUST ME.

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I SYMPATHIZE GREATLY WITH ITACHI.

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WITH NO FRIENDS OR COMRADES WHO KNEW THE REAL ME...

...I CONTINUED TO WORK ON SUPPRESSING MYSELF.

I PRETENDED TO BE SOMEONE ELSE, LIVING A LIFE OF LIES...

...WITH NO SPACE OR PLACE FOR THE REAL ME.

I VISITED AND SPIED ON A LOT OF OTHER VILLAGES FOR A REALLY LONG TIME.

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BOTH ITACHI AND I WORKED FOR THE GOOD OF KONOHA VILLAGE, BUT IN RETURN, ALL WE GOT BACK WAS DISHONOR AND DISGRACE!

...THE VILLAGE OF KONOHA STOPPED TRUSTING ME, AND I WAS TAKEN OFF THE MISSION.

AND AROUND THE TIME I STOPPED KNOWING WHO I EVEN WAS ANYMORE...

SO WHAT IN THE WORLD HAS KONOHA VILLAGE EVER DONE FOR US, EH?

THUS, I SHALL BE YOUR BIG BROTHER AND STICK BY YOUR SIDE... NOW COME JOIN ME.

NO ONE UNDERSTANDS YOU BETTER THAN I.

AND THOUGH I AM STILL ALIVE, SOMETHING SIMILAR TO YOU WAS BORN FROM ME TOO.

HOW ITACHI LIVED IS WHAT LED TO THE CREATION OF THE CURRENT YOU.

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HE WAS AN EVEN GREATER SPY THAN I WAS.

IN SHORT, HE'S EVEN MORE SKILLFUL AT LYING THAN ME.

AND YOU KNOW...

!?

SASUKE, DON'T LISTEN TO HIM.

.....

NO MATTER WHAT DARKNESS OR CONTRADICTIONS LIE WITHIN THE VILLAGE...

.....

I AM STILL UCHIHA ITACHI OF KONOHA.

BUT I HAVE TO TELL YOU SOMETHING.

I KNOW I HAVE NO RIGHT TO ADVISE YOU IN ANY WAY.

SASUKE... IT'S MY FAULT YOU'RE LIKE THIS NOW.

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SO HELP ME STOP HIM!

AFTER WE HAVE SETTLED THINGS HERE.

!?

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AND I CAN INSTANTLY RECOVER FROM ANY WOUND YOU TRY TO INFLICT.

I CAST THE EDOTENSEI. YOU CANNOT KILL ME.

BECAUSE I CAST IT, THIS EDOTENSEI JUTSU IS INVINCIBLE!

YOU BROTHERS HAVE NO CHANCE!

I'VE ALSO SHUT OFF MY VISION... SO YOUR MUCH-TOUTED OCULAR GENJUTSU WON'T WORK EITHER.

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HE DOESN'T KNOW THE TRUE POWER OF THE UCHIHA.

YEAH, I GET IT. SO WHAT CAN WE DO?

OKAY, HE'S WORDY AND BORING BUT HE'S ALSO RIGHT.

THE IZANAGI...?

.....

THE UCHIHA HAVE AN OCULAR JUTSU THAT CAN TRAP AN OPPONENT EVEN WITHOUT EYESIGHT...

...IN EXCHANGE FOR LOSING THE LIGHT IN ONE'S OWN EYES.

SHUP

I'M IMPRESSED... THAT YOU SURVIVED.

DANZO USED IT DURING MY BATTLE AGAINST HIM...

YOU KNOW ABOUT IZANAGI?

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FSH

……?

NOT IZANAGI.

ANOTHER FORBIDDEN JUTSU THAT IS CONSIDERED ITS OTHER HALF.

NEVER MIND THAT. HOW DO WE USE IZANAGI HERE?

SHUP...

TAK

BZ

ANOTHER?!

AN ULTIMATE OCULAR JUTSU THAT HOLDS HIS FATE WITHIN ITS GRASP...

I'VE ALREADY LAID THE PLAN.

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IZANAMI?!
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KLANG
IF IZANAGI IS A JUTSU THAT CHANGES ONE'S FATE...
THEN IZANAMI IS A JUTSU THAT DECIDES ONE'S FATE!
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DO NOT LEAVE MY SIDE, SASUKE, NO MATTER WHAT!

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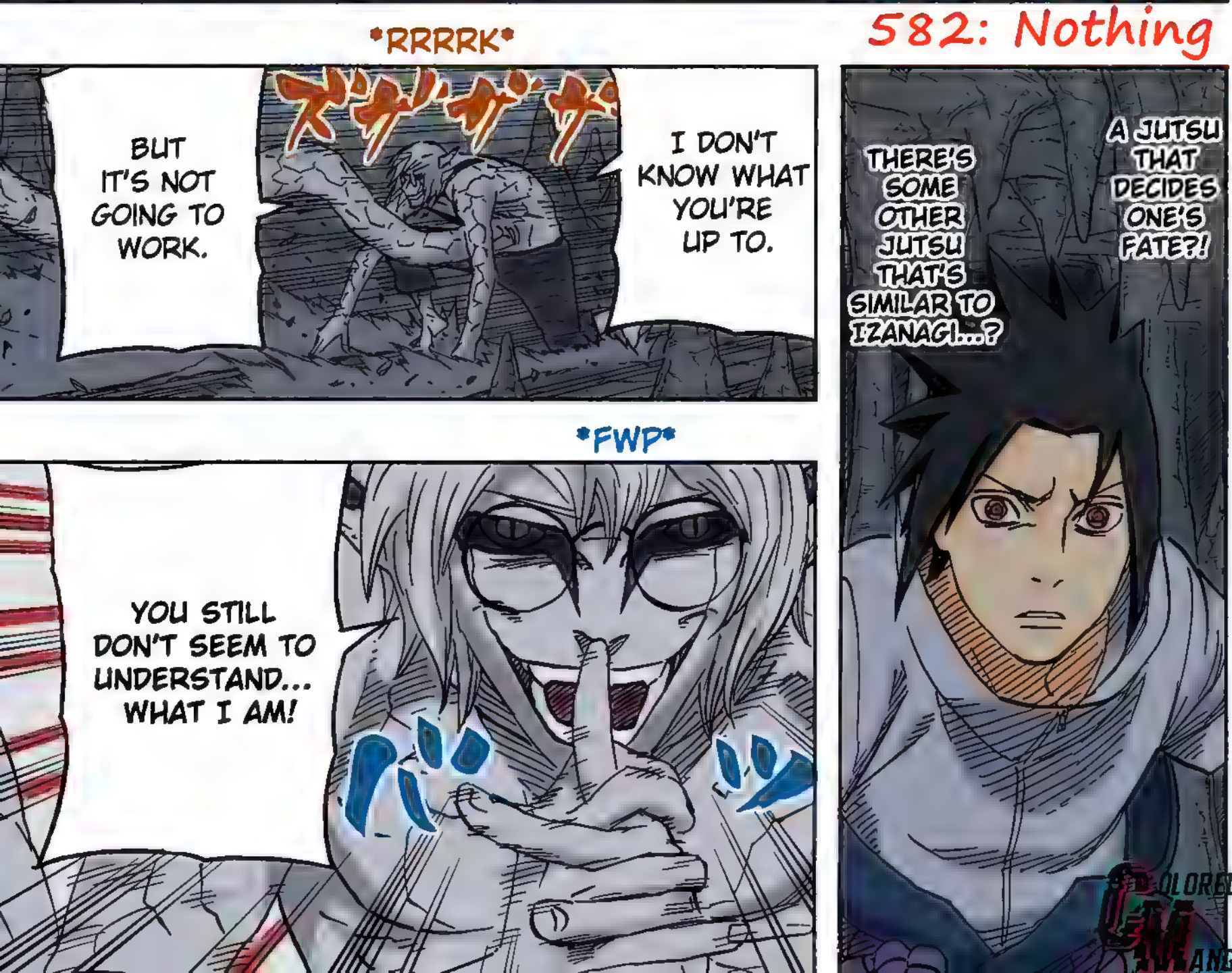
NK
THE IZANAMI!!

582：何も無い

582: Nothing



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SAGE TECHNIQUE! INORGANIC ANIMATION!!

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VOOSH

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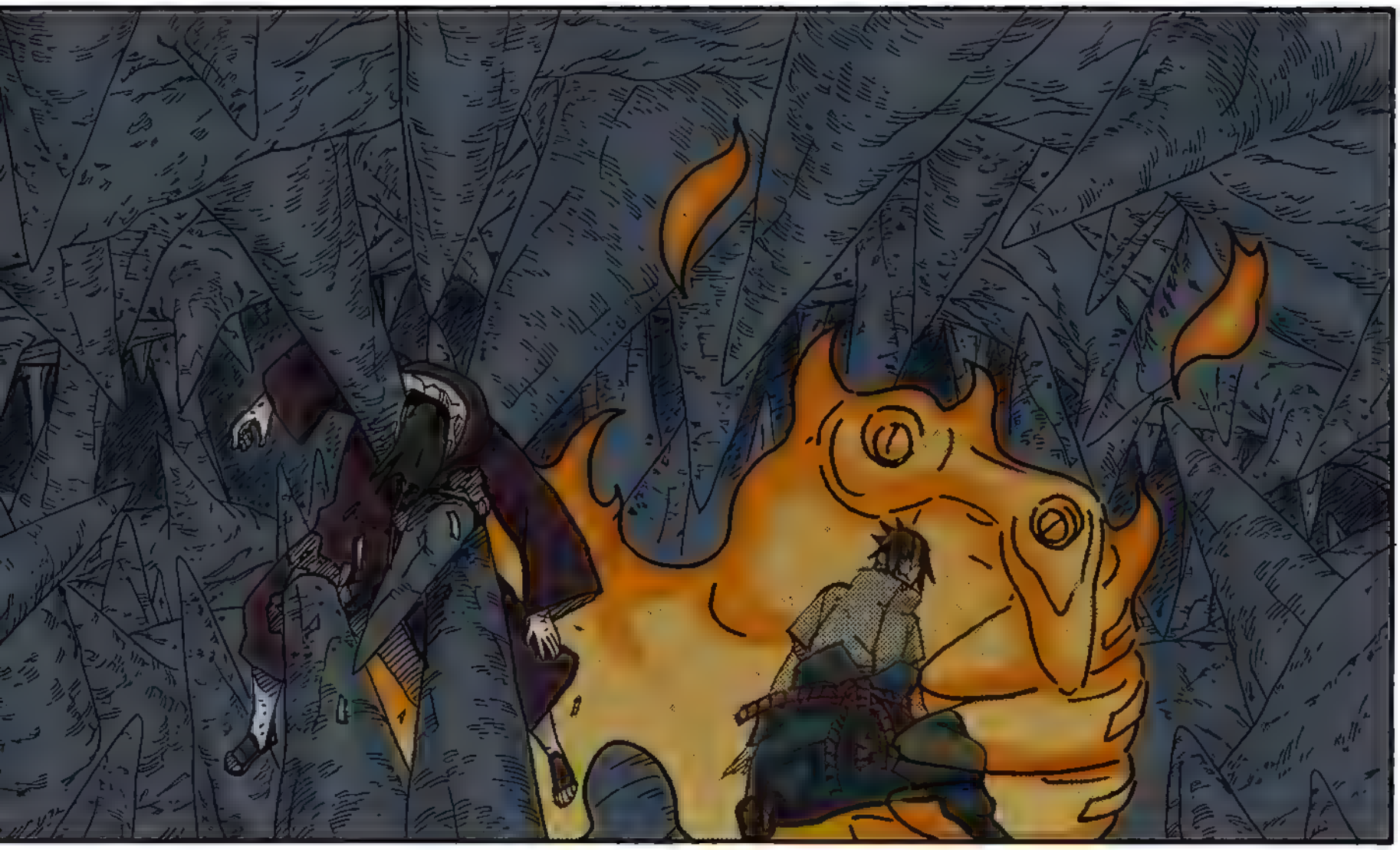

IT'S DIFFERENT FROM A JUTSU THAT SIMPLY MANIPULATES WITH CHAKRA...

A BIT EXTREME, DON'T YOU THINK?

THIS JUTSU BRINGS THE UNLIVING TO LIFE AND ALLOWS ME TO CONTROL THEM.

ITACHI!

FSH

NOW THEN, TIME TO REWRITE THAT BRAIN OF YOURS.

YOU KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN, RIGHT?

PLEASE... I WOULD NEVER HURT SASUKE. HE'S MY PRECIOUS TEST SUBJECT.

PROTECTING SASUKE WITH YOUR SUSANO'O SLOWED YOU DOWN...

ZWW...

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天照(あまてらす)!!

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BOF BOF BOF BOF BOF BOF

RRRK

SORRY... SASUKE...

IT'S SO HOT THE CAVE'S GONE BACK TO BEING A CAVE.

THE GREATEST OFFENSIVE OCULAR JUTSU CAN ALSO BE THE GREATEST DEFENCE.

ズズン

THOOM

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I HAVE EVOLVED FROM HUMAN TO SNAKE TO DRAGON.

ALL THE LAWS AND PRINCIPLES OF NATURE THAT LORD OROCHIMARU HAD ONCE COMPILED AND STUDIED...

...ARE NOW STORED AND BEING USED INSIDE OF ME.

I AM SO NEAR THE POINT WHERE I CAN ACHIEVE AND CONTROL EVERYTHING...

...THAT I JUST DON'T SEE MYSELF FAILING.

UNFOR-TUNATELY FOR YOU, I SHALL STILL WIN.

NEXT TO ME, UCHIHA ARE NOTHING!

I AM THE CLOSEST THING IN THIS WORLD TO THE SAGE OF SIX PATHS...

...IT'S LIKE LOOKING AT MY FORMER SELF...

KABUTO... WHEN I LOOK AT YOU...

.....

!

FSH

YOU SEE...

YOU DON'T KNOW THE UCHIHA!

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I HAD THE AKATSUKI AT MY BECK AND CALL, MANIPULATED THE WAR TO MY ADVANTAGE, CORNERED THE UCHIHA BROTHERS...

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I'M NOT JUST A PLAYER. I *OWN* THIS WAR.

AND THAT IS WHY YOU WILL LOSE.

...!

WE BOTH LIVED AS SPIES, AS LIARS.

I HATE YOU BUT I UNDERSTAND YOU.

YOU'RE SAYING ONE SHOULD ACKNOWLEDGE... AND GIVE UP WHAT ONE CANNOT DO?

SOUNDS LIKE THE PHILO-SOPHY OF A LOSER.

IT IS TO KNOW WHAT ONE IS AND ISN'T CAPABLE OF.

BUT I FINALLY UNDERSTAND NOW, THAT TO KNOW ONESELF...

...IS *NOT* TO ACHIEVE EVERYTHING AND BECOME PERFECT.

I DIDN'T KNOW WHO OR WHAT I WAS AT ONE POINT, EITHER.

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AND ALSO YOU SHOULD NEVER IGNORE THINGS ONE COULD STILL ACCOMPLISH.

IT'S BECAUSE YOU CANNOT DO EVERYTHING YOURSELF, THAT YOU HAVE COMRADES WHO CAN HELP YOU.

IT IS TO BECOME ABLE TO FORGIVE ONESELF...

...FOR THE THINGS ONE CANNOT DO ONESELF.

NO.

.....

I LIED TO EVERYONE AROUND ME. I LIED TO MYSELF. I WAS DELUDED.

I MYSELF FAILED AT THAT...

...YOU NEED TO RE-EXAMINE AND ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR TRUE SELF.

IF YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU ARE...

JUST LIKE I DID.

THOSE WHO CANNOT ACKNOWLEDGE THEMSELVES SHALL FAIL.

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HUF

HUF

FOR THE LONGEST TIME...

I HAVE BEEN PURSUIING WHO AND WHAT I AM, IN MY OWN WAY...

WHAT DO YOU TWO REALLY KNOW ABOUT ME?

WHAT SHOULD WE DO, SIS? ...HE'S BLEEDING FRO THE HEAD... HE'S GONNA DIE SOON...

I BET HE'S FROM THAT CITY... WHERE THAT RECENT BATTLE WAS FOUGHT.

WE'RE TAKING HIM WITH US?

"FZZZZ"

グウウウ…

URUSHI... HIS INJURIES ARE LESS SEVERE THAN YOURS WERE.

RELAX.

YOU KNOW, I *CAN* DO A LITTLE MEDICAL NINJUTSU.

WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

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WHERE ARE YOUR PARENTS...?

.....

.....

HERE! GRAB MY SHOULDER!

YOU SURE ARE LUCKY...

YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING?! GAH!

SHP

URUSHI, HELP HIM...

I DIDN'T KNOW MY PAR-ENTS OR EVEN MY OWN NAME.

THAT'S MY OLDEST MEMORY... I WAS NOBODY AND HAD NOTHING FROM THE VERY BEGINNING.

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THERE! WEAR THIS JUST IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENS TO YOU AGAIN!

OW...

HEY, SAY *THANK YOU!* DON'T YOU KNOW ANY MANNERS?!

.....

YOUR WOUNDS APPEAR TO BE HEALING.

FWOP

...OR EVEN YOUR OWN NAME, THAT'S A FIRST.

FORGET MANNERS, YOU DON'T KNOW WHO YOUR PARENTS ARE...

WAP

YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK ME FOR WHATEVER YOU NEED.

STARTING RIGHT NOW, I AM YOUR MOTHER.

YOU'LL BE LIVING HERE WITH US NOW.

.....

WHAT ABOUT... KABUTO? AS IN HELMET!

THAT'S TRUE... WHAT WOULD BE A GOOD ONE...?

BUT IT'S REAL INCONVENIENT THAT HE DOESN'T HAVE A NAME...

PAT

HMM...

.....

IT'S BEST NOT TO OVER-THINK THINGS, SOME-TIMES.

YOU CALLED IT JUST HOW HE LOOKS!

DIDN'T THINK TOO HARD ON THAT ONE...

SO SIMPLE!!

OH, GOOD...

HEY! HE JUST SMILED!

HE LIKES HIS NAME!

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SHUP

HEY, SAY *THANK YOU!* DON'T YOU KNOW ANY MANNERS?!

BUT... WE'RE BARELY SCRAPING BY AS IT IS, AND WE JUST TOOK ANOTHER ONE IN...

NEITHER IS GOING TO GIVE US ANY MORE FUNDS.

I GUESS OUR ONLY OPTION IS TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE BOTH OF THEM!

WE CAN'T GET BY ON JUST THE ASSISTANCE MONEY FROM NATION AND THE VILLAGE ANYMORE...

ALL RIGHT... I'LL DO SOME-THING ABOUT IT...

THERE-FORE...

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING AT THIS LATE HOUR?

YOU SHOULD BE ASLEEP!

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!

GAH... YOU ARE TOO INDULGENT, MOTHER...

PLEASE, HE DOESN'T KNOW.

THIS CHILD JUST GOT HERE, SO HE DOESN'T KNOW OUR DAILY SCHEDULE OR RULES YET.

SHUP...

.....!!

IT'S 20 MINUTES PAST LIGHTS-OUT TIME!

COME, LOOK HERE AT THIS CLOCK!

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WHICH MAKES LIGHTS-OUT WHAT TIME?

LET'S LEARN THIS RIGHT NOW!

WELL, WHAT TIME IS IT?

SAY IT OUT LOUD SO YOU CAN REMEMBER IT!

THIS CHILD IS STILL YOUNG... IT'S NOT HIS FAULT HE CAN'T READ A CLOCK, MUCH LESS DO CALCULATIONS...

LET'S JUST CALL IT A DAY...

!

SQUINT

!

NINE O'CLOCK...

!

THAT IS CORRECT.

GAH... WHY COULDN'T HE HAVE JUST TOLD US HE COULDN'T SEE WELL?

FEH... AND WHERE ARE WE GOING TO GET THE MONEY FOR THAT?!

HE'S SMART FOR HIS AGE...! HE'S GOING TO NEED GLASSES!

HA HA... IT APPEARS HE JUST HAS BAD VISION!

!

FSH...

SSH

I JUST HOPE THAT THE LENSES ARE THE CORRECT STRENGTH.

KLK

YOU CAN BE MINDFUL OF THE TIME FROM NOW ON, RIGHT?

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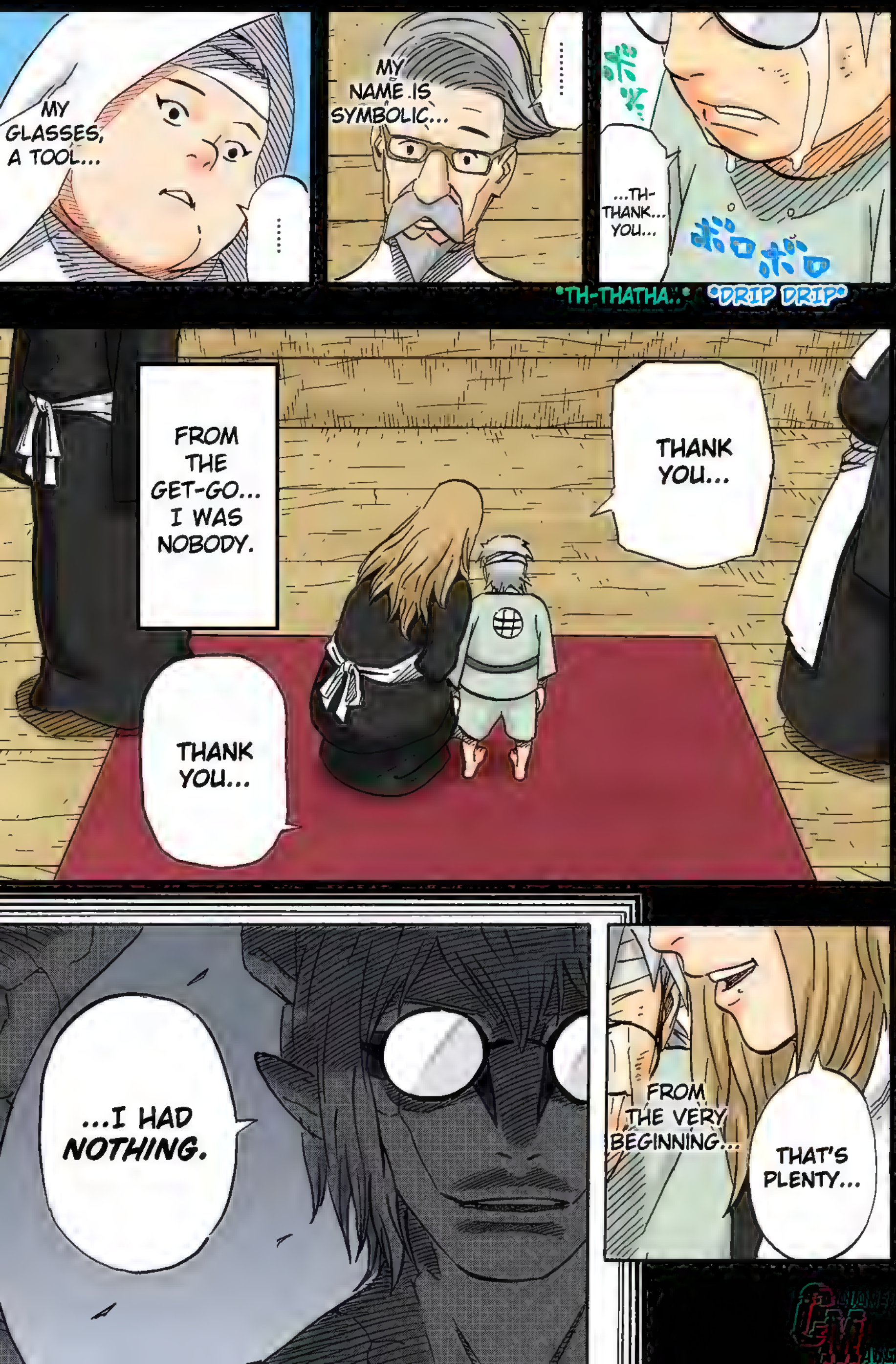
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...TH-THANK... YOU...
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TH-THATHA..
DRIP DRIP
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MY NAME IS SYMBOLIC...
MY GLASSES, A TOOL...
.....
THANK YOU...
FROM THE GET-GO... I WAS NOBODY.
THANK YOU...
THAT'S PLENTY...
FROM THE VERY BEGINNING...
...I HAD NOTHING.

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ナンバー
583：
これは誰(だれ)だ
SIZZZ
583: Who Are You?
ARE YOU OKAY TO KEEP GOING, KABUTO?
YES, MOTHER!
EVEN IF IT IS FOR THE SAKE OF THE HOUSE, WHY DO WE KIDS HAVE TO HELP THE SHINOBI?
SIZZZ
BECAUSE MONEY DOESN'T JUST GROW ON TREES...
COULD YOU GO GET ME SOME BANDAGE WRAPS, URUSHI?
ALL RIGHT.
YOU'RE NOT A SHINOBI, BUT YOU ARE QUITE SKILLED WITH YOUR MEDICAL NINJUTSU...
MOTHER TAUGHT ME.
KABUTO... WAS IT...?
YOU SHOULD BECOME A SHINOBI. YOU'D MAKE A GOOD ONE.

I'M SURE OF IT.

583: これは誰だ (ナンバー / だれ)

I JUST WANT TO HELP EARN THE MONEY FOR THE ORPHANAGE TO STAY OPEN SO I CAN STAY AND HELP MOTHER WITH HER WORK.

NO, BUT THANK YOU.

SHE'S DONE SO MUCH FOR ME... AND ALL I'VE DONE IS BUY HER NEW GLASSES.

...? REALLY... WHAT A SHAME.

SO, THE WANDERING NUN IS NOW JUST A BABYSITTER.

...YOU SEEM A BIT TIRED, *NONOU.*

SEEING YOU AGAIN AFTER SO LONG...

I KNOW TALKS WITH KONOHA FOR AID MONEY WERE CONCLUDED ALREADY... SO WHY ARE YOU HERE...?!

I CAST ASIDE THAT NAME LONG AGO.

IN THIS TIME OF WAR, WE HAVE OBTAINED INTEL THAT IWAGAKURE IS PLOTTING SOME LARGE-SCALE OPERATION.

WE DID NOT COME HERE ONLY IN REGARD TO THE AID MONEY.

IT SEEMS YOU, WHO WERE THE ESPIONAGE UNIT'S TOP SPY, STOPPED KNOWING THINGS AS SOON AS YOU LEFT THE FOUNDATION...

IT WILL LIKELY BE A LONG-TERM MISSION.

.....

AND IF IT DOES TURN OUT TO BE TRUE...

...YOU ARE TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT TO US WHAT THIS OPERATION ENTAILS AND WHEN AND WHERE IT WILL OCCUR.

WE WANT YOU TO INFILTRATE IWAGAKURE...

!?

...AND FIND OUT IF THAT INFORMATION IS CORRECT OR NOT.

WHY DO YOU NEED TO ASK THE MOTHER ...?!

SUCH A DANGEROUS TASK... YOU FOUNDATION PEOPLE OUGHT TO DO IT YOURSELVES!

...HOW VALUABLE MOTHER'S PRESENCE IS TO THIS ORPHANAGE AND THE CHILDREN HERE!

YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND AT ALL...

MOTHER HAS WORKED DESPERATELY HARD TO PROTECT THIS ORGANIZATION!

YOU'VE COME TO THE WRONG WOMAN.

I AM NO LONGER ...

BUT I KNOW THAT ***SHE*** IS NOT A KUNOICHI WHO WOULD EVER SELL KONOHA OUT.

MOST EITHER BREAK OR END UP SWITCHING ALLEGIANCES.

THERE IS CURRENTLY NOT ONE INDIVIDUAL WITHIN THE FOUNDATION WHO POSSESSES THE ESPIONAGE SKILLS THAT THIS ONE DOES.

THE WANDERING NUN IS THE ONLY ONE WE CAN ENTRUST THIS LONG-TERM MISSION TO.

BUT!! WE'VE ALREADY RECEIVED THE THIRD LORD HOKAGE'S ASSURANCE!

THERE'S NO WAY THIS WILL BE ALLOWED!

FROM YOUR EXPRESSION, I CAN TELL YOU'VE ALREADY GUESSED IT... NONOU.

THAT'S RIGHT... IF YOU REFUSE, MONEY WILL STOP COMING INTO THE ORPHANAGE.

CHILDREN WITH NO PAST OR FAMILY ARE WORTH SOMETHING, YOU KNOW...

WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, TAKE CARE THAT YOUR CHILDREN NOT GET SNATCHED, EITHER.

I RECOMMEND YOU HIRE A GUARD OR TWO TO PREVENT YOUR MONEY FROM GETTING STOLEN.

THAT IS, IF YOU CAN AFFORD IT.

THIS ORPHANAGE LOOKS EASY TO BREAK INTO AND PLUNDER...

!?

YOU'RE THE ONES WHO DON'T UNDERSTAND.

YOU ARE ALL DASTARDLY!!

HOW DARE YOU CALL YOURSELVES SHINOBI!!

MOTHER !!

I... ACCEDE.

.....

IT'S A SMALL PRICE TO PAY...

YOU REALLY AREN'T SUITED FOR THE FOUNDATION AFTER ALL.

IT'S COME TO THIS BECALISE YOU COULDN'T KILL YOUR EMOTIONS.

...FOR THE WELL-BEING OF KONOHA!

HOW DARE YOU...!

.....

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HOW FAR WILL YOU GO ...?!!

I TOLD YOU I WOULD ACCEPT THE MISSION!!

I'LL TAKE ONE OF THESE CHILDREN TO REPLACE THEM!

I'VE ALREADY LOST A SUBORDINATE OBTAINING THIS INTEL...

!!

YOU OUGHT TO ASK THEM TO CHOOSE FOR THEMSELVES. I CAN AT LEAST GIVE YOU THAT.

IT'S NOT SO BAD, SOME CHILDREN ACTUALLY WISH TO BE SHINOBI AFTER ALL.

YOUR MISSION SHALL COVER SUBSEQUENT PAYMENTS...

BUT THIS CURRENT ONE IS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE CHILD.

THIS IS A SEPARATE MATTER.

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WHY, KABUTO?

I THINK I'M SUITED TO BE A NINJA...

AND I WANT TO HONE MY MEDICAL NINJUTSU TOO.

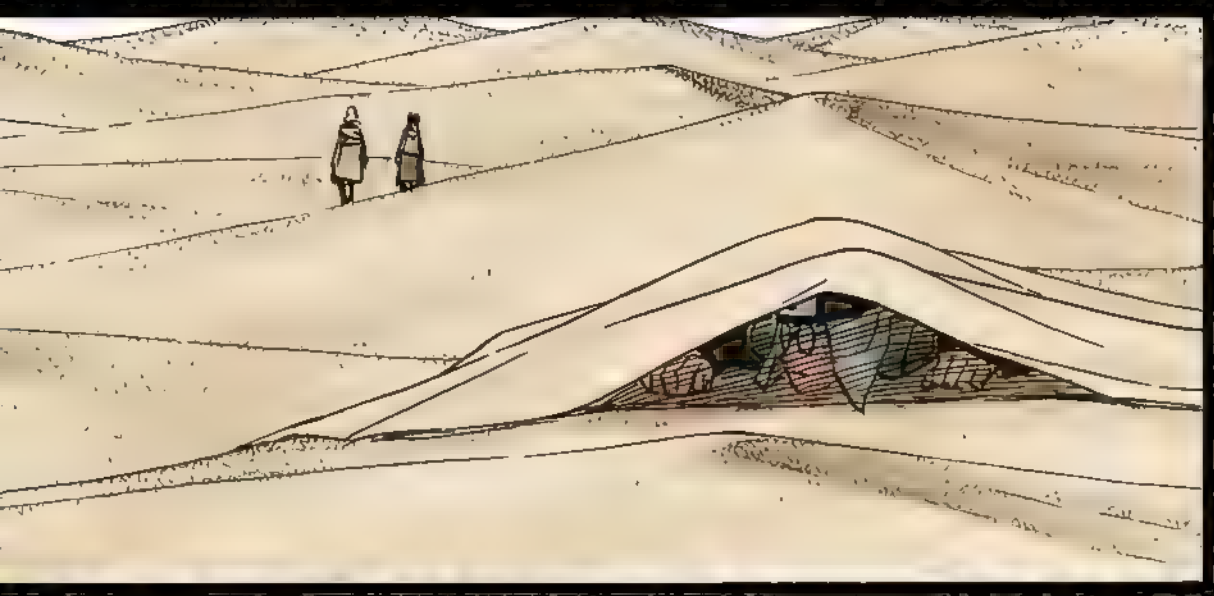
SHLIP

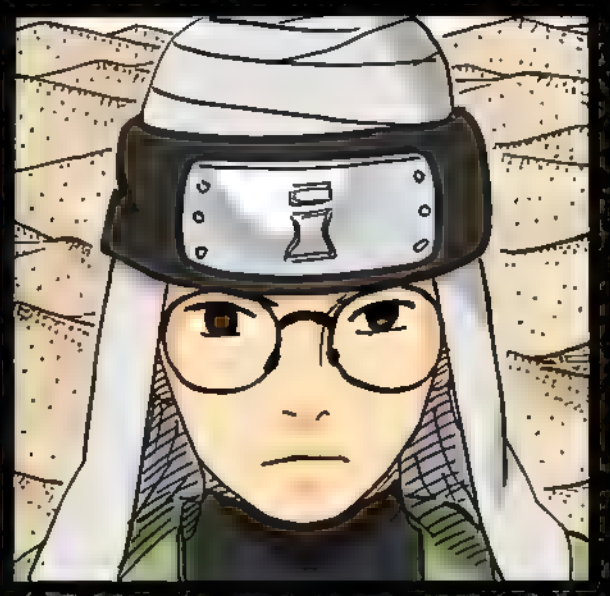
HAVE YOU ALL FORGOTTEN THE HOUSE RULES?

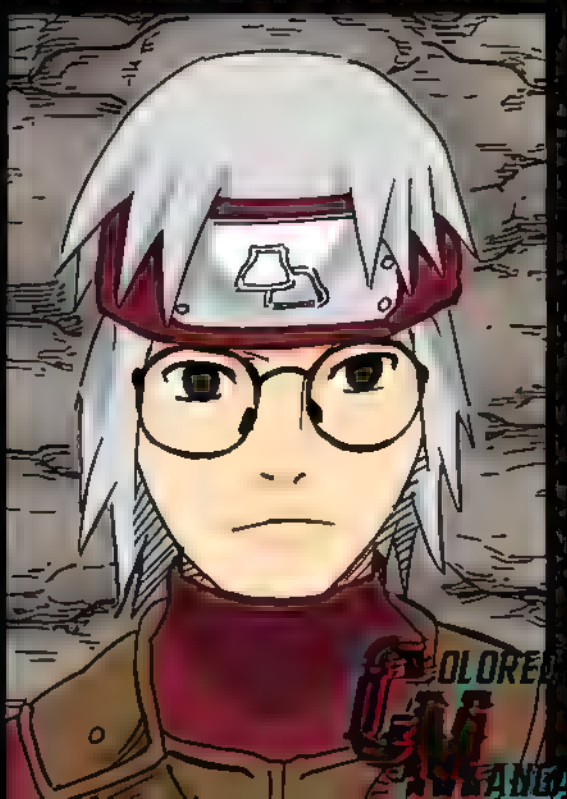
KABUTO! YOU'RE GONNA JUST THROW AWAY THE THREE YEARS YOU SPENT WITH US?

COME BACK HERE!

IT'S LONG PAST BEDTIME.







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IT'S NO USE... I'M SURROUNDED...

HUF

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UGH. HAD I NOT MESSED UP, I WOULD BE IN BED ASLEEP BY NOW.

WOOSH

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I WISH I COULD HAVE SEEN MOTHER AND THE REST ONE MORE TIME...

FIVE YEARS SINCE I LEFT THE ORPHANAGE, HUH...

UNGH!

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MOTHER ?!

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WHY ARE... YOU HEALING... MY WOUNDS ...?

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UNH...

WHO... ARE YOU...?

SHE'S BEEN ON THE SAME MISSION ALL THIS TIME?!

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NO!! WHY ARE YOU HERE?!

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IT'S ME, MOTHER!!

ジュウウウ

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FSH

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DON'T WORRY, I SWEAR I'LL SAVE YOU!

KLAK

IT'S ME, KABUTO !!

...ARE YOU...?

WHO...

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SIZ...

SIZZZ...

THIS WAY!

.....

SHOOM SHOOM

TAK

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GAH! NANIGASHI'S BEEN DONE IN!

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TMP

HUF
HUF
SLOSH SLOSH
SLOSH SLOSH
WHY...?
MOTHER DIDN'T KNOW ME...
HUF
HUF
FSH
EVEN THESE GLASSES ...
MY NAME. THAT I WAS ONE OF MOTHER'S CHILDREN...
WHAT WERE ALL THOSE THINGS I REC-EIVED FROM MOTHER ?!
IF SHE DOESN'T KNOW ME THEN WHO AM I?!
HOW COME ...?
WHY DIDN'T SHE REM-EMBER ME ...?!

KLAK

BLUR...

...ARE YOU...?

WHO...

.....

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YOU NO LONGER SEE YOURSELF CLEARLY.

NOT THE *REAL* ME...

THIS ISN'T ME...

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KLAK

!!?

SWOOOSH

WOOSH

YOU'VE BECOME QUITE A FINE SHINOBI...

I REMEMBER YOU... KABUTO.

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584：薬師カブト

SPLOOSH...

.....!

HEY, AREN'T YOU...?

584: Yakushi Kabuto

THEN I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO KNOW...

COME WITH ME.

WHAT I WANT TO KNOW... MEANING?!

FSH

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NONOU TOO... OH... I MEAN, MOTHER.

I'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU THIS WHOLE TIME.

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SHUP

DON'T YOU WANT TO KNOW THAT...?

...!

WHY MOTHER WENT AFTER YOU...

...AND WHY SHE DIDN'T REMEMBER YOU AT ALL...

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NO ONE KNOWS ABOUT IT... IN SHORT, YOU'RE MY FIRST VISITOR.

THIS IS MY HIDEOUT ...

YOU KNOW WHAT I WANT TO KNOW!!

THEN HURRY UP AND TELL ME!

FSH

IT SEEMS... THE NUMBER OF QUESTIONS YOU HAVE KEEPS INCREASING... THAT'S A GOOD THING.

PEOPLE CANNOT ESCAPE THEIR DESIRE FOR KNOWLEDGE... WHICH IS WHY YOU FOLLOWED ME HERE.

SHUP

WHY'D YOU BRING ME HERE?! WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH ME?

!!?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!

"SHUP"

THE FOUNDATION HAS DECIDED TO DISPOSE OF BOTH YOU AND MOTHER.

TO BE BLUNT...

...!?

YOU TWO WERE TOO BRILLIANT AS SPIES...

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YOU ENDED UP KNOWING TOO MUCH.

THAT YOU TWO WOULD EVENTUALLY END UP AS SO.

ALTHOUGH IT HAD BEEN DECIDED FROM THE GET-GO...

IT WAS ALSO IN THE SCRIPT FOR YOU TO KILL EACH OTHER IN A MUTUAL STRIKE...

IN SOME CASES, INFORMATION CAN POSSESS MORE MIGHT THAN POWERFUL JUTSU OR WEAPONS...

AT THIS POINT, YOU ARE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS ENTITIES.

...BUT!

!!

THEY MADE US RISK OUR LIVES FOR SO LONG TO GATHER INTEL FOR OUR VILLAGE... AND THIS IS WHAT WE GET...?!!

THAT YOU GAVE YOURSELF TO THE FOUNDATION FOR THE ORPHANAGE'S MONEY.

...DANZO REVEALED TO MOTHER THE REAL REASON WHY YOU HAD LEFT.

RIGHT AFTER YOU LEFT THE ORPHANAGE...

..BUT THAT ASSASSINATION TARGET WAS ACTUALLY *YOU.*

IT'S QUITE IRONIC...

!?

MOTHER WISHED TO LIBERATE YOU FROM THE FOUNDATION.

AS A CONDITION OF ACCEPTING HER WISH...

DANZO ORDERED HER SEVERAL YEARS AGO TO ASSASSINATE A CERTAIN MAN.

I DON'T GET IT?!

AND WHY DIDN'T MOTHER REALIZE IT WAS ME?!

I THOUGHT IT WAS THE CONDITION FOR MY RELEASE?!

FWAP

TRICKERY ?!

AND THERE WAS OTHER TRICKERY AFOOT TOO...

I TOLD YOU... THE FOUNDATION INTENDED FOR YOU TWO TO TAKE EACH OTHER OUT.

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YOU AND MOTHER WERE SENT INTO SEPARATE ENEMY TERRITORIES SO THAT YOU TWO...

...WOULD NEVER MEET, AND MOTHER WAS KEPT INFORMED OF YOUR WELL-BEING AND PROGRESS VIA PHOTOS.

FWIP

FWIP

THAT THERE IS THE OTHER KABUTO.

A COMMON PRACTICE OF THE FOUND-ATION.

GRADUAL BRAIN-WASHING...

...SKILLFULLY REPLACED WITH THOSE OF ANOTHER, WITHOUT HER EVEN NOTICING IT.

AND THEN, OVER TIME, MOTHER WAS MADE TO THINK SOMEONE ELSE WAS YOU. THE PHOTOS OF YOU WERE...

IS THAT IT..?

AND *YOU* WERE DISPATCHED BY THE FOUNDATION TO TAKE CARE OF WHOEVER SURVIVED...

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FSH...

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YOU WERE A TRAITOROUS DOUBLE AGENT, A FOE OF THE VILLAGE...

THAT'S WHY NONOU TRIED TO KILL YOU. SHE WOULD NEVER HAVE THOUGHT YOU WERE KABUTO...

YOU'RE QUICK ON THE UPTAKE, DESPITE NOT REALLY KNOWING ANYTHING ABOUT YOURSELF ...

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SIZZZ

SIZZZ

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WHOOSH

AND I THOUGHT I'D FINALLY FOUND IT!

BUT THANKS TO YOU FOUNDATION BASTARDS, I'VE LOST MYSELF AGAIN!

HUF

I'VE LONG WANTED SOMETHING TO DEFINE MYSELF BY!

HUF

THEN... WHO IN THE WORLD...

BUT EVERY-THING'S WRONG!!

THK

BAM

MOTHER WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE PARENT THAT DIDN'T FORGET ME, NO MATTER WHAT!

THIS BESTOWED NAME WAS MINE AND MINE ALONE!

THESE GLASSES WERE WHAT LINKED MOTHER AND ME!

BAM WHAM

WHAM

BAM

...AM I ?!!

WAH!

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HUF

HUF

HUF

BZP ...

BZP BZP

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YOU MERELY LACK SUFFICIENT INTEL WITH WHICH TO DEFINE YOURSELF.

IT'S JUST THAT NEITHER THE GLASSES, YOUR NAME, NOR THE FACT THAT YOU'RE A CHILD WERE THINGS THAT DENOTE WHO YOU REALLY ARE.

SQUILCH.....

THUMP

.....

...WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME ALL THIS?!

IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO KILL ME...

IF YOU'RE NOT SATISFIED WITH WHAT YOU'VE HAD SO FAR...

JUST FINE OTHER THINGS AND ADD THEM TO YOURSELF FROM HERE ON OUT.

AND THAT'S FINE.

DRIP DRIP

SPLICH

!

SO I'VE BEEN GATHERING ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

I TOO WANT TO KNOW WHO OR WHAT I AM.

SHUP

AND THEN, I UNDERGO REBIRTH, EVER EVOLVING...

...TOWARD A NEW, MORE PERFECT ME.

...AND STORE THE GAINED KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES WITHIN MYSELF.

I REPEATEDLY EXPERIMENT ON AND INSPECT THESE MANY THINGS THAT I'VE COLLECTED A LITTLE AT A TIME...

DRIP

SHUP...

...IT'S YOU.

THIS TIME...

AFTERWARD, I AGAIN OBTAIN EVEN NEWER ITEMS, AND SO ON.

SPLTCH

BUT WHY... AM I ONE OF THOSE THINGS TO YOU?

...DERIVE WHO AND WHAT YOU ARE BY GATHERING ALL THE INTEL AND THINGS THAT EXIST IN THIS WORLD.

THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULDN'T...

.....

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TO CREATE AN ORGANISATION, A VILLAGE, WHICH CELEBRATES INDIVIDUALITY, AS OPPOSED TO THE FOUNDATION THAT ERASES THE SELF.

THE VILLAGE OF OTAGAKURE, WHICH SHALL BELONG TO NO NATION.

AND BESIDES, THIS IS A MEDICAL EXPERIMENTATION FACILITY THAT I PREPARED JUST FOR YOU.

WHAT ARE YOU PLOTTING?

BECAUSE I RECOGNISE AND VALUE YOUR TALENT MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE... IT WOULD BE A WASTE TO KILL YOU.

AS THE CHILD OF YAKUSHI NONOU, WHO OUTWARDLY BECAME A MEDICAL CORPS CAPTAIN AFTER RETURNING TO DANZO... AS OF TODAY...

SHUP

SHUP

THIS IS YOUR NEW PERSONAL HISTORY...

WHEN STILL VERY YOUNG YOU WERE FOUND, ADOPTED, AND RAISED BY A MEDICAL CORPS CAPTAIN FOLLOWING THE BATTLE AT KIKYO PASS.

AS OF THIS MOMENT, YOU AND I WILL DESERT KONOHA'S FOUNDATION.

AND ALSO STARTING NOW, I SHALL BE YOUR SUPERIOR, YOUR SIBLING, AND YOUR PARENT.

I WILL PROTECT YOU FROM DANZO...

!!

IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHO AND WHAT YOU ARE... COME... BE BY MY SIDE...

I AM OROCHIMARU.

"SHUP"

.....

...YOU SHALL BE REBORN AS YAKUSHI KABUTO.

SHUP

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THE AKATSUKI.

LEAVE IT TO ME.

SO... WHAT IS THIS GROUP?

THERE'S AN ORGANIZATION I WANT TO LOOK INTO NEXT...

UNDER-STOOD, LORD SASORI.

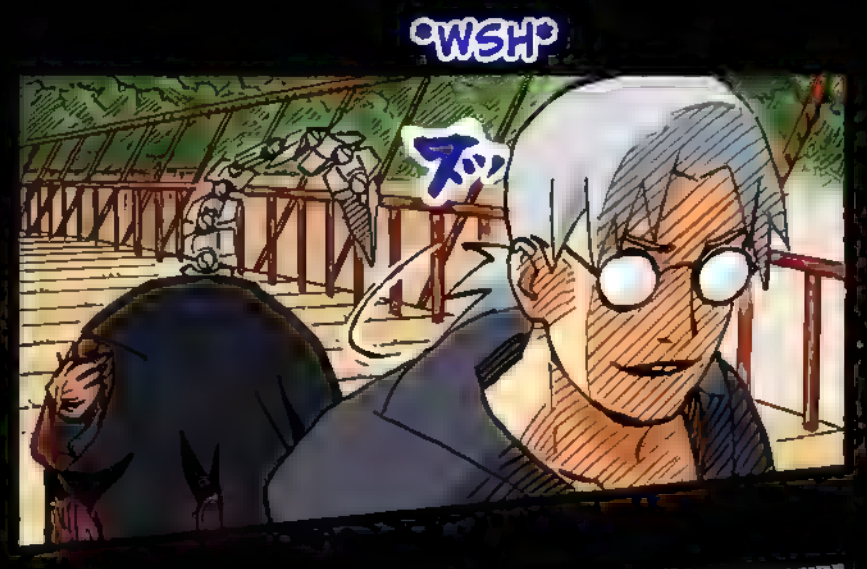
BRING ME OROCHIMARU'S HUMAN EXPERIMENTATION DATA AND ANY INTEL ON THE EDOTENSEI.

YOU ARE USEFUL.

YOU CAN ERASE YOUR SOUND, YOUR SCENT, EVEN YOU YOURSELF...

YOU'RE ALMOST LIKE ONE OF MY PUPPETS.

SPLITCH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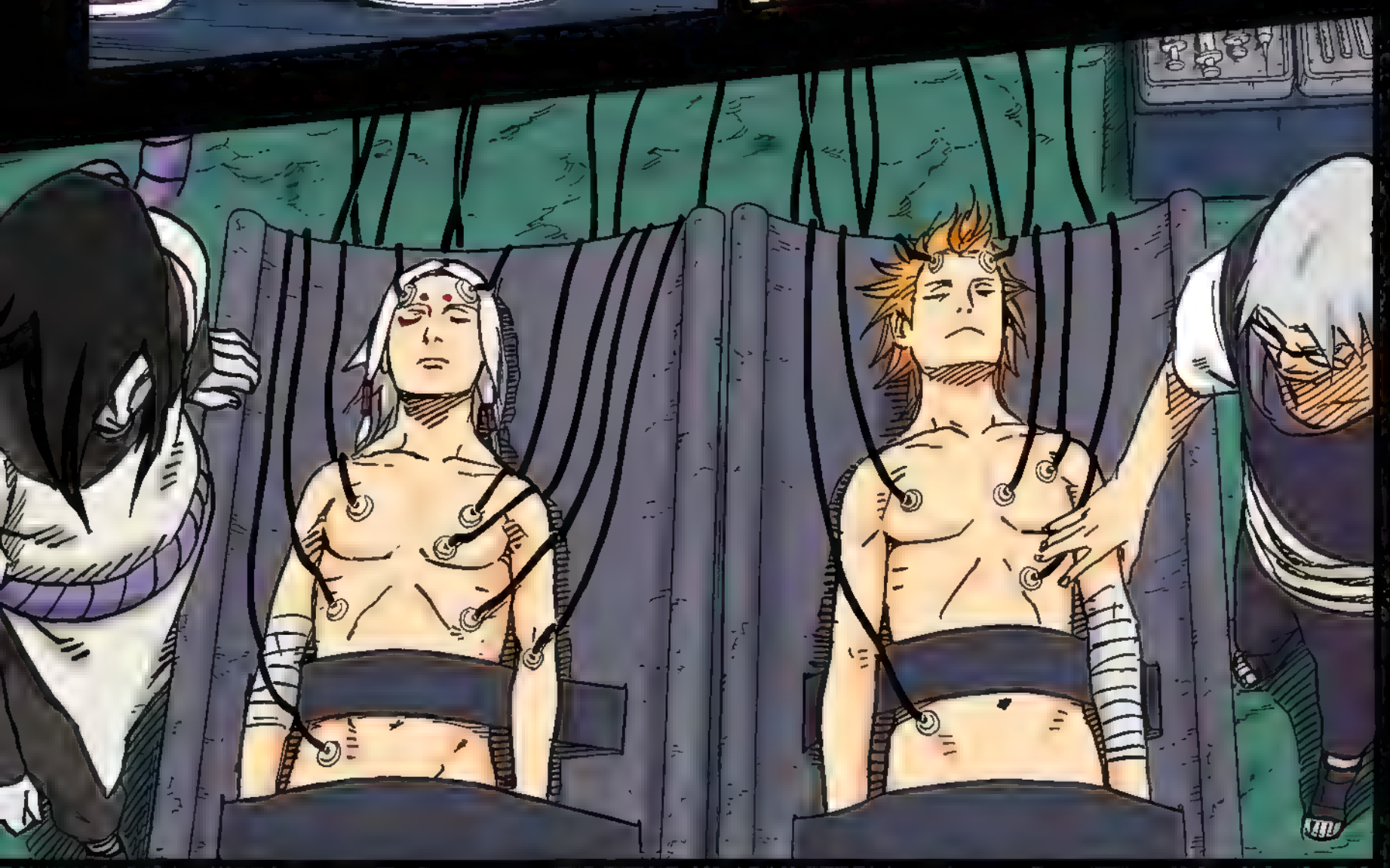

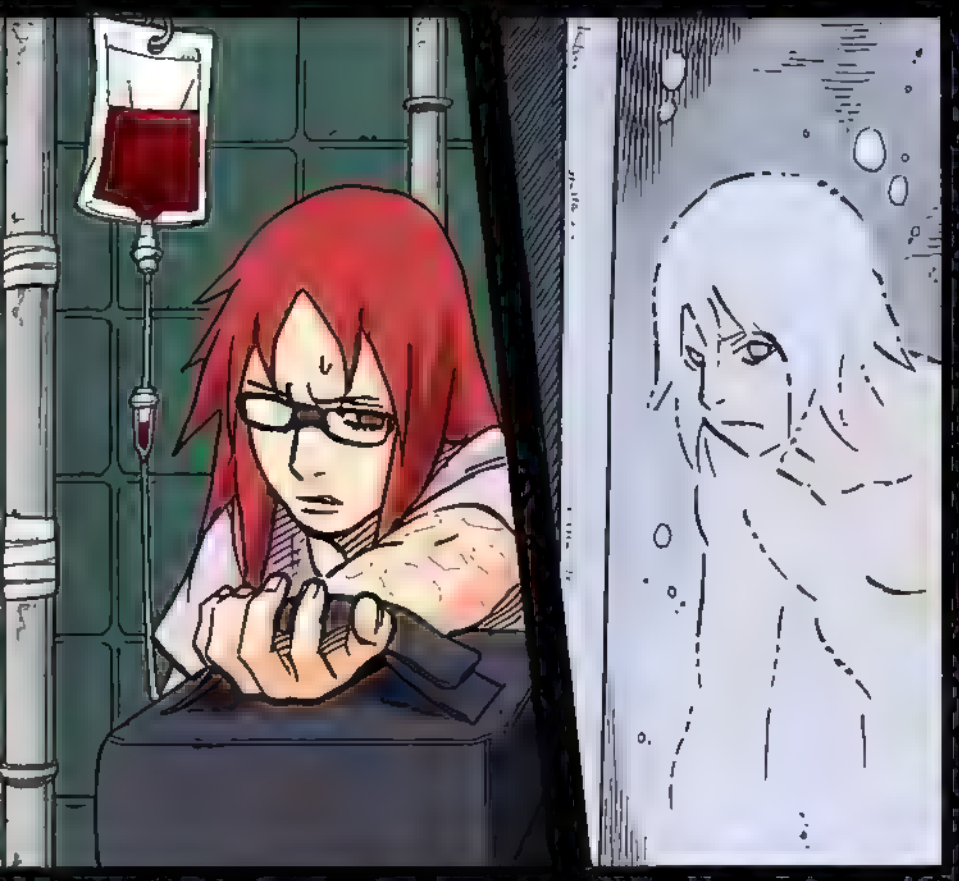

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DRIP
DRIP
...

AAAARGH!!
UGH... UNH...

SPLICH
SPLICH

...JUST FIND OTHER THINGS AND ADD THEM TO YOURSELF FROM HERE ON OUT.

TK
TK

IF YOU'RE NOT SATISFIED WITH WHAT YOU'VE HAD SO FAR...

...STILL... NOT ENOUGH...

HUFF

HUFF

IT'S...

HEAVE

PLINK

PLINK

HUFF

HEAVE

THIS IS STILL... NOT ME...!

HUFF

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THAT'S WHY... I KEPT ADDING TO MYSELF.

585: I Am Me

...BUT YOUR ABILITIES AND INTEL.

SO WHAT I WANT ARE NOT YOUR LECTURES ...

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...AND YOU ALSO HAD MANY JUTSU AND MUCH POWER.

YOU BORE MANY SECRETS AND STOPPED A WAR...

NOT ONLY ARE YOU A KONOHA SHINOBI, YOU ARE OF THE FAMED UCHIHA BLOODLINE.

YOU HAVE SHARINGAN IN WHICH THE MANGEKYO HAS BEEN AWAKENED...

AND MY PAWNS ARE PART OF MY POWER.

THERE IS NO FINER FOIL TO MY EDOTENSEI THAN YOU.

ITACHI... YOU POSSESSED MANY THINGS THAT MADE YOU WHO YOU ARE.

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SO IT'S MEANINGLESS FOR YOU TO CLAIM IT.

THE UCHIHA NAME INDICATES A BLOODLINE AND CLAN MEMBERSHIP.

FSH

TAK

...I AM STILL QUITE ENVIOUS OF IT.

NAH... EVEN THOUGH I'VE MOCKED THE UCHIHA NAME IN FRONT OF YOU...

SHUP SHUP

YOU EXAGGERATE... LISTEN, I *FAILED!*

TWITCH

IT DOES HOLD MEANING FOR ME!

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FWP

FWP

IS THE IZANAMI STILL NOT READY TO GO?

HE'S ABOUT TO COME AFTER US!

DON'T WORRY, I'M ON IT ALREADY...

...IT'S JUST GOING TO TAKE A LITTLE MORE TIME.

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I TOLD YOU NO!

HE CONTROLS THE BATTLEFIELD RIGHT NOW... BE PATIENT.

WE'RE STUCK PLAYING CATCH-UP!

ARE YOU SURE IT WOULD BE BAD TO KILL HIM?

SHUP

KSHNK

LORD OROCHIMARU SAID THUS:

ZWW...

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ズズズ...

ZWOOO...

JIROBO! EARTH STYLE!! TERRA SHIELD!!!

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BAM BAM

BAKOOM

SAKON! DEMON TWIN JUTSU!!

...ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS GATHER EVERY SINGLE THING...

...AND PIECE OF INFORMATION THAT EXISTS IN THIS WORLD!

IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHO AND WHAT YOU ARE...

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KIDOMARU!

ZWOO...

PFFFT

THUD

THUD

THESE STRANDS CAN'T BE CUT WITH A BLADE!

SPIRAL WEB !!!

SPEW

FABOOSH

AMA-TERASU !!

SHKEEN

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!
ZWSH WSH WSH WSH
RRRRK
KIMIMARO! MACABRE BONE PULSE!! BRACKEN DANCE!!!

I'LL GET THE ONES BEHIND US! YOU TAKE THE FRONT, BROTHER!

HE'S LAID DOWN THE SPIDER SILK ALL THE WAY TO THE BACK!

VOOSH

YEAH.

CAN YOU STILL USE THE SUSANO'O?

ポカ

TAK

INFERNO STYLE! FLAME CONTROL!!

ZLASH

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PLINK

ZWOOO

KLENCH

IT'S NO USE...!

TAYUYA! MUSICAL GENJUTSU!! CHAINS OF FANTASIA!!!

THEY RAN TO THE BACK, EH...

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ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SASUKE ...?

SHUP

SHUP

G-G-

FLINCH

G-G-

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ZWOO...

...NOW THAT I'VE IMMOBILIZED YOU, ALL THAT'S LEFT...

SHUP SHUP

ZWOO

ズズ

.....

DIDN'T THINK SO.

YOUR PRECIOUS SUSANO'O CAN'T BLOCK SOUND, CAN IT...?

SWOO...

SWOO...

GEN-JUTSU

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SHUP

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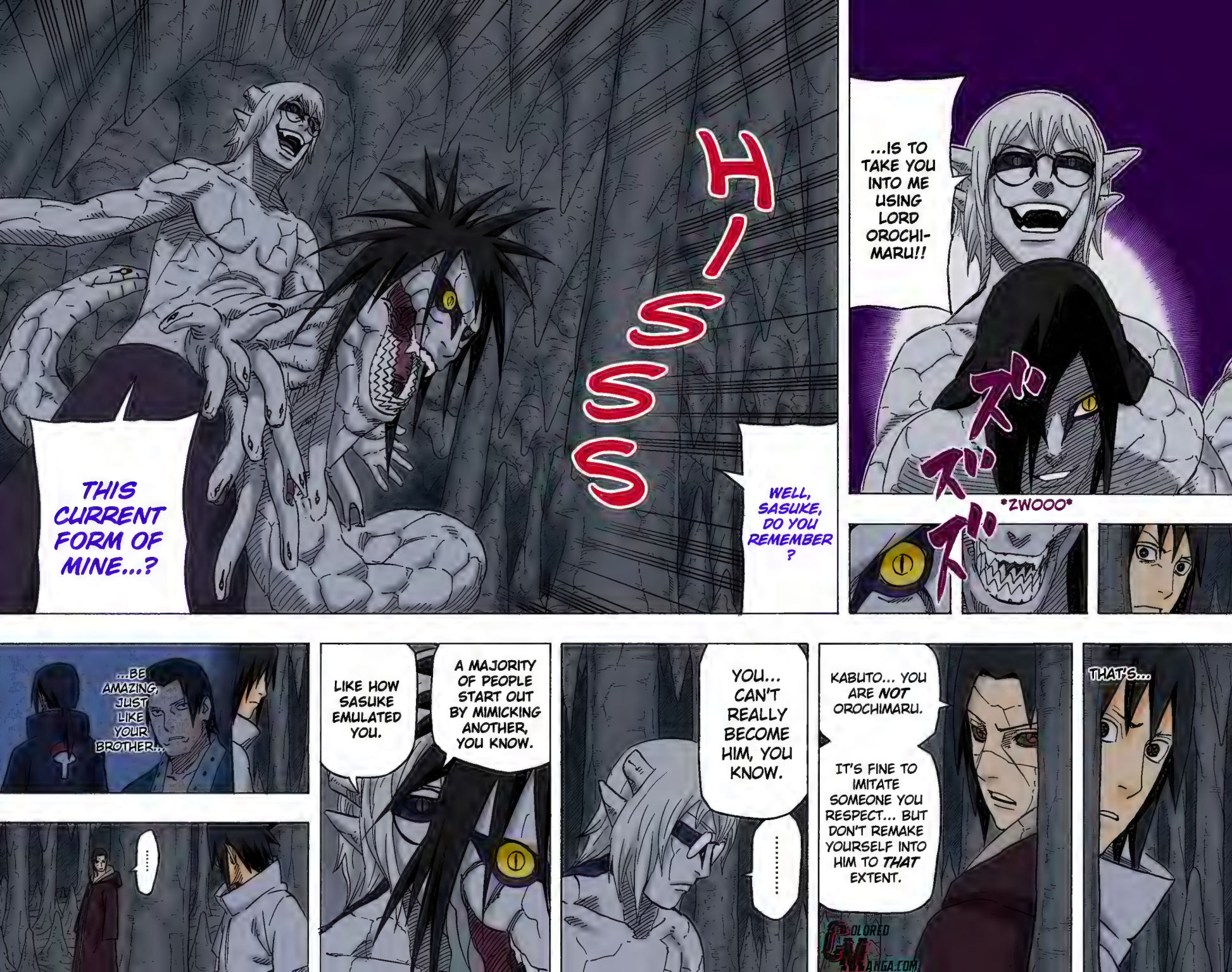
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WELL, SASUKE, DO YOU REMEMBER?
...IS TO TAKE YOU INTO ME USING LORD OROCHI-MARU!!
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ZWOOO
...BE AMAZING, JUST LIKE YOUR BROTHER...
.....
LIKE HOW SASUKE EMULATED YOU.
A MAJORITY OF PEOPLE START OUT BY MIMICKING ANOTHER, YOU KNOW.
YOU... CAN'T REALLY BECOME HIM, YOU KNOW.
.....
KABUTO... YOU ARE *NOT* OROCHIMARU.
IT'S FINE TO IMITATE SOMEONE YOU RESPECT... BUT DON'T REMAKE YOURSELF INTO HIM TO *THAT* EXTENT.
THAT'S...

SUCH BEHAVIOR IS MERELY A PROCESS TO HELP ONE MATURE!

DON'T USE IT AS A CLOAK TO DECEIVE YOURSELF WITH, LIKE YOU'VE DONE!

I'LL SAY THIS ONE LAST TIME.

DON'T MISLEAD YOUR-SELF WITH LIES.

THOSE WHO CANNOT ACKNOWLEDGE THEMSELVES WILL INVARIABLY FAIL.

IF YOU'VE ATTACHED YOUR SELF-VALUE TO SOMETHING EXTERNAL TO YOU THAT'S ADMIRABLE AND PRAISEWORTHY...

YOU WON'T FIND ANYTHING WHEN YOU TRY TO DISCOVER THE MEANING OF YOUR OWN EXISTENCE.

.....

.....

THE CURRENT ME...

...WILL FAIL?

HOW?!

WHOOSH

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SASUKE... LOOK INTO MY EYES!

THAT'S RIGHT!

!

TSU-KUYOMI !!

GEN-JUTSU! SHA-RINGAN !!

CHOMP

ZLASH ZLASH

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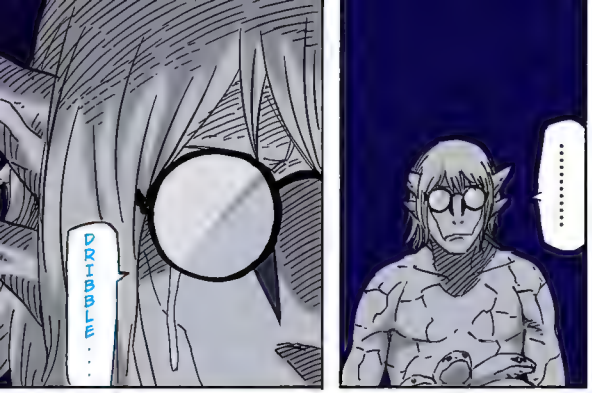
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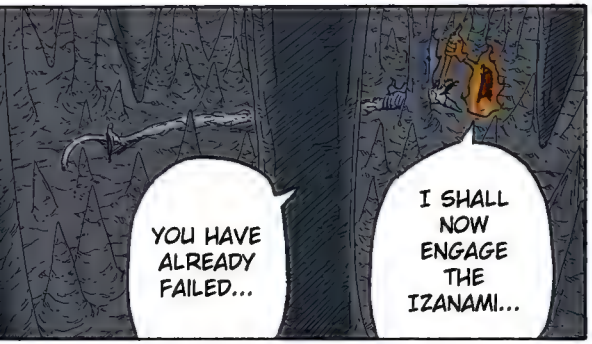
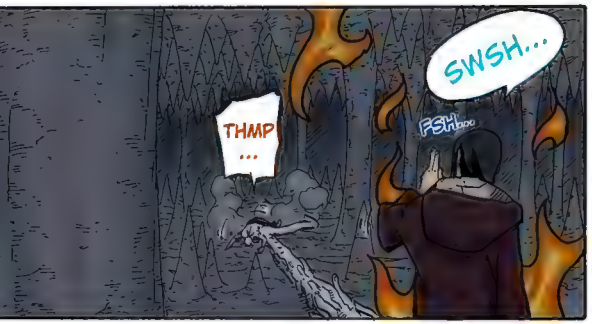

YOU HAVE ALREADY FAILED...
I SHALL NOW ENGAGE THE IZANAMI...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THMP...

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IS IT DONE?

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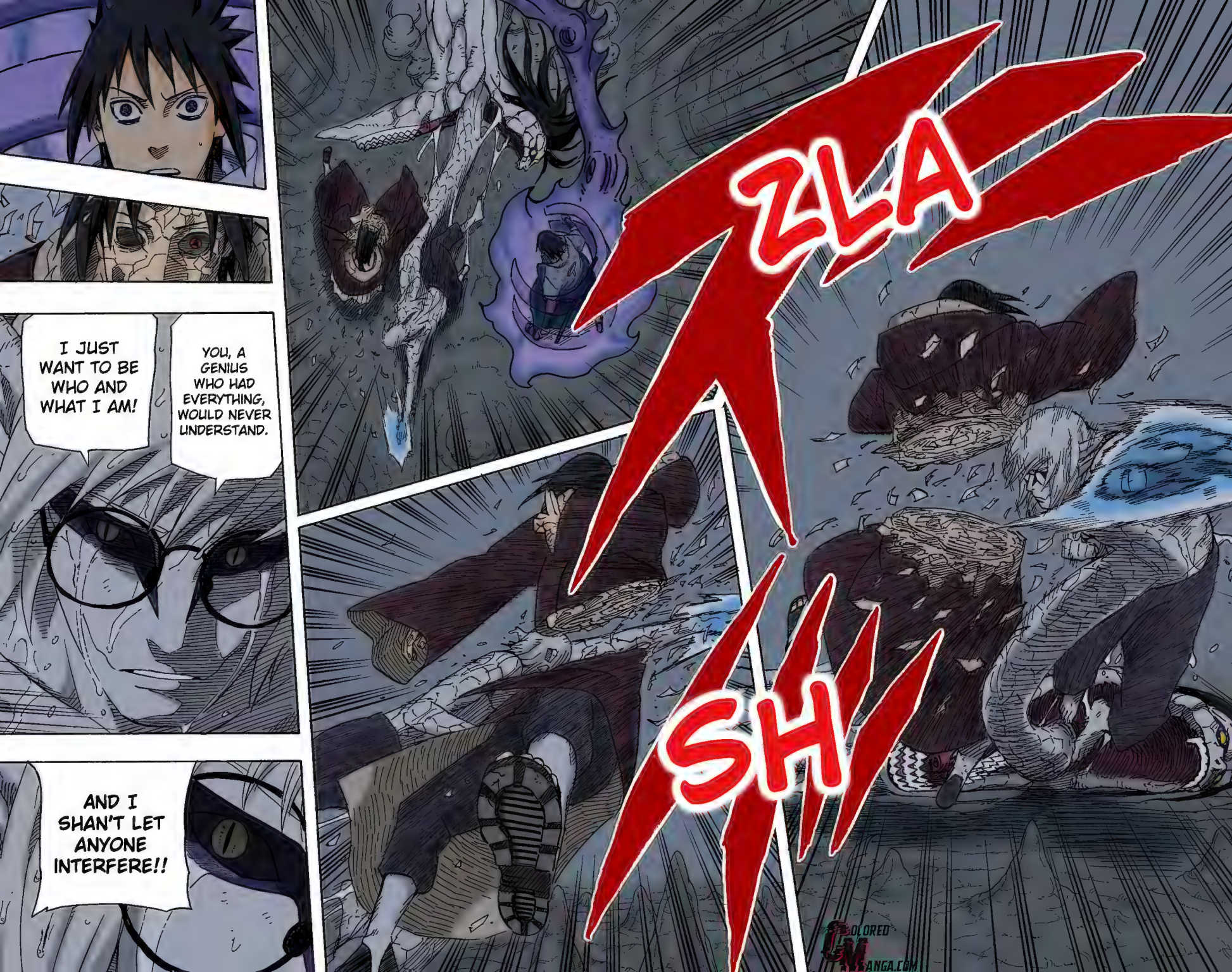
I JUST WANT TO BE WHO AND WHAT I AM!
YOU, A GENIUS WHO HAD EVERYTHING, WOULD NEVER UNDERSTAND.
AND I SHAN'T LET ANYONE INTERFERE!!
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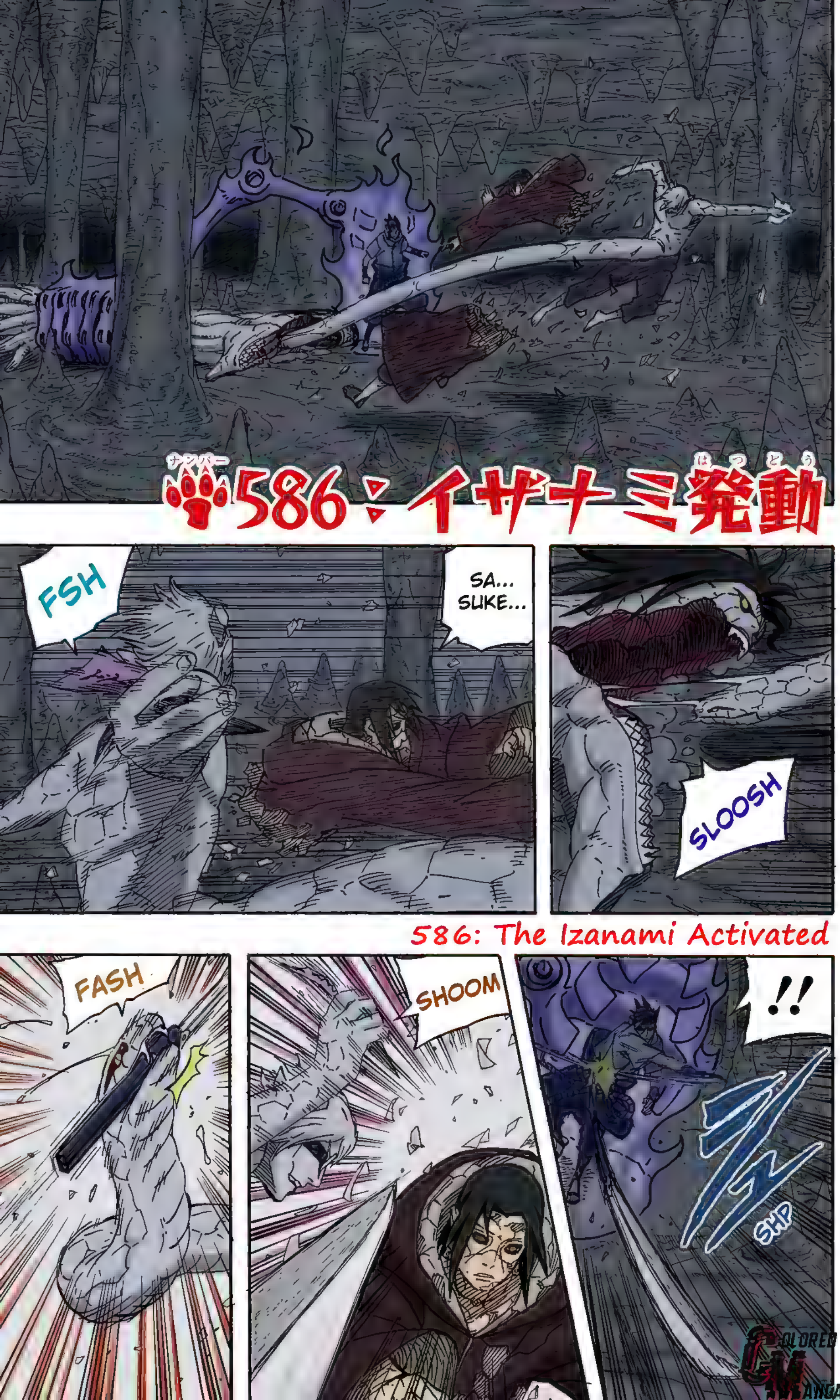

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SKRK

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SKRK

SSH

SWSH

WHAM

BAP

BAM

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WATER STYLE! GIANT WATERFALL!!

SLOOSH

FFFZ

FIRE STYLE! FIREBALL JUTSU!!

ZZZ

FZZZZ

SPLOOSH

UNGH!

KLIK

!

WOOSH

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SLOO

AK

TK

OSH

!!?

WSH

!

WHA——M

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WAP

WAP

!?

CHAK

!

WAP

UGH!

WOOSH

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I TOLD YOU, WITH THIS BODY I CAN RECOVER FROM ANY WOUND YOU TRY TO INFLICT.

WUMP

YOU'RE JUST REPEATING YOUR SAME OLD MOVES.

MAKES IT EASY FOR ME TO COUNTER.

SPROING

AND YOU KNOW SINCE I SHUT OFF MY VISION, GENJUTSU WON'T WORK ON ME.

I TELL YOU AGAIN, YOU TWO HAVE NO CHANCE OF WINNING.

SPLICH

DRIP

YOUR FATE IS ALREADY IN MY HANDS...

THANKS TO THE UCHIHA FORBIDDEN JUTSU THAT LETS ME.

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TAK

BZ

SHALL WE... PUT THAT BOAST TO THE TEST?!!

KLA

NK

THE IZANAMI!

RRRK

KLANG

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DO NOT LEAVE MY SIDE, SASUKE, NO MATTER WHAT!

RRRRR

FSSH

BUT YOU BORE ME. LET'S END THIS.

IT'S ALL JUST DEJA VU TO ME.

SLOOSH

FASH

TAK

SHUP

SHUP

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YOUR FATE MAY BE IN MY HANDS NOW...
SHUP
SHUP
...BUT ONLY YOU CAN TRULY DECIDE HOW THAT FATE SHAPES YOUR DESTINY.
REMEMBER WHAT I'VE TOLD YOU.
THINK HARD.
WHAT NONSENSE ARE YOU ON ABOUT NOW?
DON'T PLAY SEMANTICS WITH ME. I WILL HAVE EVERYTHING. I AM THE STRONGEST OF ALL!
SHUP
THAT IS FACT!!
WHOOSH
IF YOU CAN FORGIVE YOURSELF, YOUR TRUE SELF...
SSSLLLLLL
ONLY THEN CAN YOU BE STRONG!!
WHA
M

RRR

RR

ZW

THE DEFEATED ...!!

...SHOULD REMAIN SILENT!!

SLOOSH

SHP

RRIP

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SLOOO

SH

WAP

WAP

WAP

CHAK

WHAT IS HE DOING ?!

QWQW

UGH!

...WAIT.

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WAP

WHAT?! THAT HORN HAD ALREADY BEEN CUT OFF...

BUT THIS IS CLEARLY ...!

HOW? I HAVE NO SIGHT... I SHOULD BE INVULNERABLE TO GENJUTSU!

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CLINK

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SPL

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SPLICH

DRIP

GLUBGLUB

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THUD THUD THUD THUD

IMPOS-SIBLE!!

TAK

BZ

SPLASH

I HAVE YOU IN MY OCULAR JUTSU...

WHAT DID YOU DO TO ME?!

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KLA

IT'S THE IZANAMI!

NG

HOW

RRRK

HOW ...?!

THK

ガイイン KLANG

WHAM

I AM ALL-POWERFUL !!

WAP

SPROING ガン

!!

NO ONE CAN STOP ME!!

NO MATTER!

SHUP

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TAK

TMP

ZWI

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!!?

WAP

WAP

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WAK

WAP

!?

RRRK

CLINK

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I TRULY HOLD... YOUR FATE IN MY HANDS.

!!!

HE CANNOT ESCAPE THIS LOOP.

UCHIHA ITACHI!!

A JUTSU THAT DECIDES ONE'S FATE...

THAT IS THE IZANAMI!

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WHEN DID YOU CAST IT?

SO... KABUTO'S TRAPPED NOW? IN YOUR LOOP?

AND THAT'S THE IZANAMI...?

I'M GOING TO KEEP HIM TRAPPED SO IT'S EASIER FOR ME TO CAST MY USUAL GENJUTSU ON HIM.

ALL THE WAY BACK THEN, HUH?

THE FIRST TIME KABUTO STABBED ME WITH THAT BLADE.

THE PHYSICAL SENSES OF TWO PEOPLE?

THE IZANAMI IS AN OCULAR JUTSU...

...THAT WORKS WITH THE PHYSICAL SENSES OF YOURSELF AND YOUR OPPONENTS.

HOW CAN OCULAR JUTSU WORK WITHOUT EYE-SIGHT?

SO HOW?

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A'

SO YOU'RE USING YOUR POWERS TO CREATE AN EXACT COPY OF EXHIBIT A, LET'S CALL THAT A'.

THEN YOU RECREATE THOSE EXACT FEELINGS.

A

EXHIBIT A.

FOCUS YOUR OCULAR POWERS TO SNAP A RECORD OF ANY SENSES THAT BOTH YOU AND YOUR OPPONENT ARE FEELING DURING THAT INSTANT.

SO BASICALLY, YOU GRAB AN ACTION FROM YOUR OPPONENT.

A' (TIMEFLOW) A

1

BY OVER-LAYING AND CONNECTING A TO A'...

...THE IZANAMI ALSO LINKS A PATH BETWEEN ANY EVENTS THAT OCCURRED BETWEEN THOSE TWO POINTS.

C B

2

A' A

(TIMEFLOW)

C B

YOU CAN CREATE AN INFINITE LOOP.

3

A' A

TK

(TIMEFLOW)

C B' B

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SO KABUTO'S CONSCIOUSNESS IS TRAPPED INSIDE.

HE'LL BE FIGHTING A PHANTOM YOU AND A PHANTOM ME FOR ALL ETERNITY ON AN ENDLESS LOOP.

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ALL IN EXCHANGE FOR ONE'S OWN SIGHT, OF COURSE.

JUST LIKE WITH THE IZANAGI.

IT'S A PERFECT UCHIHA OCULAR JUTSU DESIGNED TO CHANGE DESTINY.

YOU KNOW SOME ABOUT THE IZANAGI ALREADY.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

!

NOT QUITE... THERE *IS* AN ESCAPE ROUTE BUILT INTO THE JUTSU, YOU COULD FEASIBLY DISENGAGE FROM THE LOOP.

THE IZANAMI WAS DEVELOPED TO ADMONISH AND SALVAGE AN IZANAGI USER.

ULTIMATELY, YOU CAN PICK AND CHOOSE THE MOST DESIRABLE END RESULT.

IF SOMETHING DOES NOT GO THE WAY YOU WANT IT TO, YOU CAN JUST ERASE THAT OUTCOME AND START ALL OVER.

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IT WAS MOST HANDY IN HUGE BATTLES THAT THE UCHIHA CLAN COULD NOT AFFORD TO LOSE.

THE IZANAGI IS OBVIOUSLY AN INVALUABLE JUTSU.

BUT WHEN THERE WERE TWO OR MORE, THERE COULD BE ENDLESS REWORKINGS OF ANY GIVEN SITUATION.

IF THERE WAS ONLY ONE IZANAGI USER, IT WAS NO PROBLEM.

MOST WHO USED IT COULDN'T HANDLE IT AND ABUSED THE POWER THEY HELD.

BUT THERE'S A BIGGER RISK THAN JUST VISION LOSS TO A JUTSU THAT ALLOWS THE CASTER TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN ENDING.

NORMAL VISION-BASED GEN-JUTSU IS POWERLESS AGAINST OCULAR POWERS.

THAT'S WHAT THE IZANAMI WAS DESIGNED TO STOP.

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IZANAMI

IZANAGI

IF ONE ERASES BRANCH X AND PROCEEDS TO BRANCH O, ONE ENDS UP GOING AROUND IN CIRCLES.

PATHS THAT FORK INTO TWO.

ONE CAN ERASE BRANCH X AND SELECT A DIFFERENT BRANCH, O, INSTEAD.

...AND CAUSE THEM TO ENDLESSLY CIRCLE AROUND IN A LOOP.

THE IZANAMI IS SET UP TO TAKE SOMEONE WHO IS USING THE IZANAGI TO CHANGE AN OUTCOME TO BENEFIT ONESELF...

.....!?

THE IZANAMI IS DESIGNED TO KEEP UCHIHA CLANSMEN HUMBLE AND HONORABLE.

IT'S TO STOP YOU FROM TAKING THE EASY WAY OUT, FROM AVOIDING ANY INCONVENIENT OUTCOMES.

OF COURSE, SINCE THE IZANAMI IS A JUTSU MEANT FOR STOPPING THE IZANAGI...

...THERE'S AN ESCAPE ROUTE BUILT INTO THAT LOOP AS WELL...

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THAT'S WHY THE IZANAMI IS A FORBIDDEN JUTSU.

BUT A JUTSU THAT HAS AN ESCAPE IS TOO DANGEROUS TO USE IN ACTUAL COMBAT.

THIS JUTSU GUIDES YOU TOWARD ACCEPTING YOUR FATE... INSTEAD OF RELYING ON JUTSU TO CHANGE IT.

ONCE ONE ACCEPTS THE ORIGINAL OUTCOME AND STOPS TRYING TO RUN FROM IT, THE LOOP WILL STOP.

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IF KABUTO STOPS TRYING TO TRANSFORM...

...HE CAN STOP THE LOOP.

I THOUGHT I WAS UNSTOPPABLE.

I THOUGHT I COULD ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING.

HE COULD STILL ESCAPE.

HE REMINDS ME OF THE OLD ME.

WHY BOTHER CASTING THIS ON KABUTO?

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KABUTO IS SO DELUDED THAT HE THINKS ALL THESE POWERS ARE HIS AND HIS ALONE.

I STOPPED LISTENING TO ANYONE ELSE. I STOPPED TRUSTING ANYONE.

BUT HE'S NOT COMPLETELY TO BLAME FOR HIS NOT REALIZING THAT.

WHAT HE IS DOING IS CERTAINLY WRONG.

HE CAN'T FORGIVE HIMSELF FOR WHAT HE'S DONE BECAUSE HE CAN'T SEE HIMSELF FOR WHO AND WHAT HE TRULY IS.

I UNDERSTAND HIM TOO WELL. THE SHINOBI WORLD HAS MADE US BOTH VICTIMS OF OUR OWN EGOS.

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I LOSE MY CHANCE. BUT HE CAN STILL FORGIVE HIMSELF BEFORE HE DIES.

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I TRIED TO CONTROL YOU WITH THE OCULAR JUTSU KOTO'AMATSUKAMI.

!?

SASUKE.

HE IS ***NOT*** LIKE YOU! YOU ***WERE*** PERFECT!

BIG BROTHER, WHY WOULD YOU EVER FEEL YOU NEEDED TO HELP HIM DO THAT?!

I THOUGHT YOU NEEDED MY PROTECTION.

I DIDN'T TRUST YOUR STRENGTH.

I TREATED YOU LIKE A CHILD.

SOMETIMES TWO WHO SEEM OPPOSITES ARE ACTUALLY TWO SIDES OF THE SAME COIN.

THEY CAN ONLY SUCCEED WHEN ACTUALLY WORKING TOGETHER.

IT MAY BE THAT A PERFECT BEING DOES NOT EXIST AT ALL IN THE WORLD.

.....

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.....

LOOK AT ME.

FIND IN YOURSELF WHAT I WAS UNABLE TO FIND IN ME.

DO NOT SAY I WAS PERFECT.

FIRST...

LIKE...

...THE IZANAGI AND IZANAMI.

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THIS...

KLOP

I AM PERFECT !!

CLINK

NO WAY!!

WAP

ZLURP

...IS NOT ME!!

HOW LONG WILL YOU IMITATE OROCHIMARU?

IF YOU WANT TO EXIT THIS LOOP, YOU MUST RE-EXAMINE YOUR MISTAKES.

I KNOW HE'S COMING WITH A FIRE STYLE JUTSU HERE!

KLAK

SHUT UP!!

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SLO

WATER STYLE! WATER DRAGON MISSILE!!

WATER STYLE! WATER DRA—

OSH

SWOOO HHHPPPP

SWOOO HHHPP

HE SAW THAT COMING WITH HIS SHARINGAN...!

!!

SPLOOSH

WAH !!

DRIP

SWOO...

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WHERE HAVE I EVER MADE A MISTAKE ?!

HOW DID I GET THIS WRONG ?!

SPLICH

!!

ALL I EVER...

WAS SOMEONE ...

WANTED ...

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...TO BE THERE FOR ME!

TO ACKNOW-LEDGE ME! TO APPRECIATE ME!!

TELL ME, WHERE IS THE MISTAKE IN THAT?!

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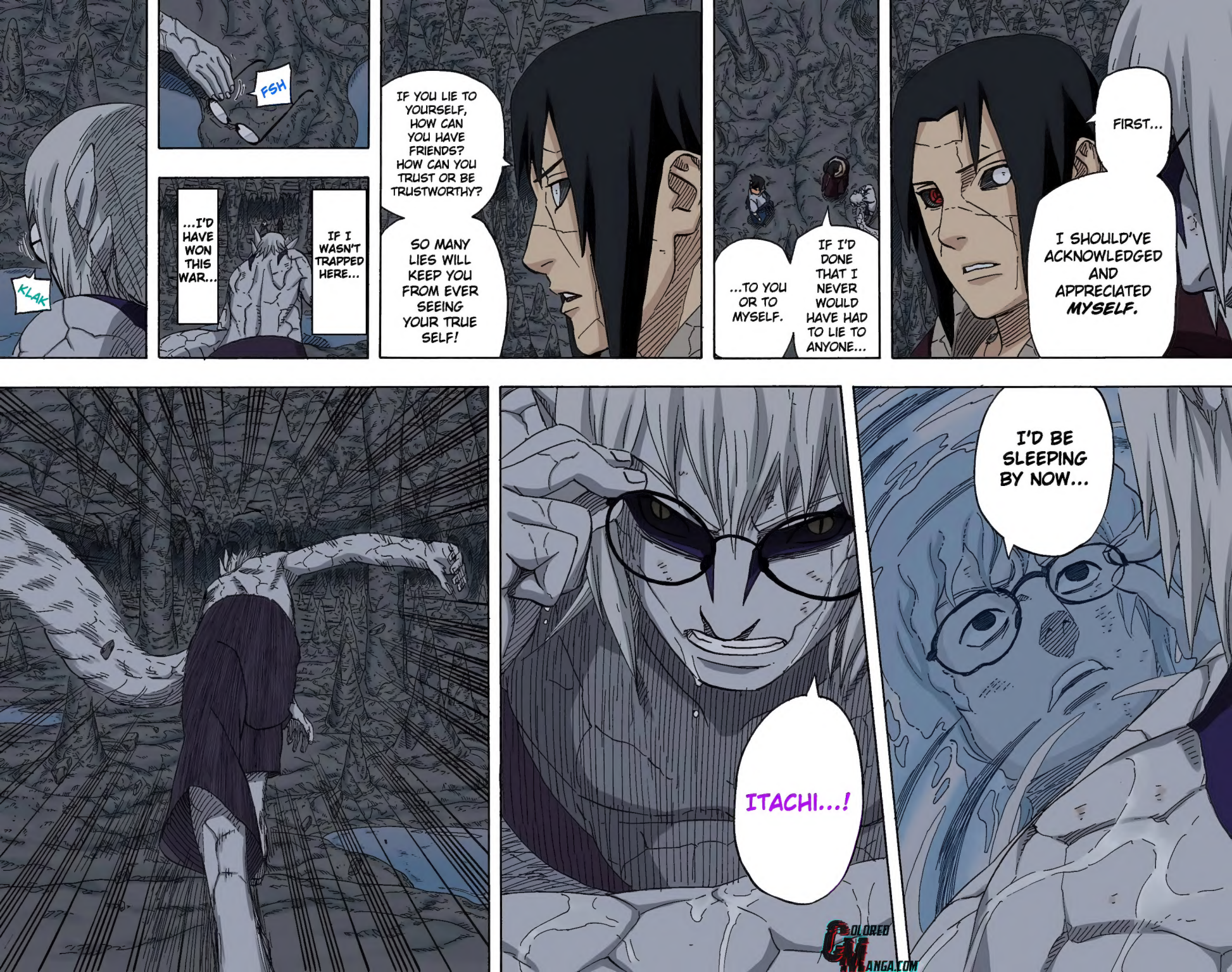
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...I'D HAVE WON THIS WAR...
IF I WASN'T TRAPPED HERE...
IF YOU LIE TO YOURSELF, HOW CAN YOU HAVE FRIENDS? HOW CAN YOU TRUST OR BE TRUSTWORTHY?
SO MANY LIES WILL KEEP YOU FROM EVER SEEING YOUR TRUE SELF!
...TO YOU OR TO MYSELF.
IF I'D DONE THAT I NEVER WOULD HAVE HAD TO LIE TO ANYONE...
FIRST...
I SHOULD'VE ACKNOWLEDGED AND APPRECIATED MYSELF.
I'D BE SLEEPING BY NOW...
ITACHI...!
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NAW, I JUST WISH WE COULD QUICKLY WRAP UP THIS WAR SO I CAN SLEEP IN AS LATE AS I WANT...

SOMETHING WRONG?

THEY NEVER TELL USE REAR GUARD SHINOBI WHAT'S GOING ON.

IT'S NINE O'CLOCK ALREADY, HUH...

MY LITTLE BROTHER'S BEEN AWAY ON A MISSION FOR FOREVER AND MAY FINALLY RETURN HOME.

IF THE FIVE PRINCIPLE TERRITORIES STAY FRIENDLY AFTER THE WAR...

I'LL START BY GOING HOME.

...WELL, YEAH...

SO...WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WHEN THIS WAR'S OVER?

HUH?

YOU WANNA COME WITH ME...?

I ENVY THOSE WHO HAVE A PLACE TO GO BACK TO...

.....

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...KABUTO.

I MEAN, I LIVE IN AN ORPHANAGE.

BUT IF MY LITTLE BROTHER'S THERE HE CAN LOOK AT YOUR WOUNDS.

I REALLY HOPE YOU'LL COME HOME THIS TIME...

.....

.....

THANKS... URUSHI.

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I SHALL NOW STOP THE EDOTENSEI JUTSU.

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